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Curb on Officers' Club Liquor Extends Ban Throughout Army



'Oldster' Discharge Made Easier by WD

But Army Must Not Be Hampered Warning Insists

As the War Department this week announced relaxation of the requirements for discharge from the Army of enlisted men over 38 years of age, it warned that nevertheless discharges must be so regulated as to prevent the disruption of trained organizations. This meant that large numbers of trained men cannot be released at one time.

However, the procedure for discharge was simplified giving the commanding officer more discretion and the rule that a trained replacement must be available was dropped.

If the applicant meets other requirements he will be discharged unless such action will seriously affect the efficiency of the organization to which he is assigned.

It is anticipated that a more rapid rate of release from service for the "oldsters" will be possible as soon as the 18 and 19-year-old men who are now being inducted have received sufficient training to replace them.

There are approximately 300,000 enlisted men in the Army who are 38 years of age and older. Many of these men are skilled technicians who enlisted voluntarily to fill urgent needs of the Army.

Application for discharge must be made voluntarily, in writing, to the soldier's immediate commanding officer. The applicant must present evidence that if discharged from the Army he will be employed in essential industry, including agriculture—

such evidence being in the form of a letter or statement from a prospective employer, the United States Employment Service, or the applicant's Farm Agent.

Action on applications will be expedited, but commanding officers having discharge authority have been instructed to effect discharges under the new regulations with a minimum interference, with administration training, and transportation facilities.

WD Restricts Furloughs

Restrictions on the number and times of furloughs were issued this week by the War Department, which ordered that the number of enlisted men on furlough from any command should not exceed 15 per cent of the enlisted strength present, except under exceptional circumstances such as following large-scale maneuvers or specialized training, and prior to permanent change of stations.

The War Department also said that except in cases of urgent necessity, furloughs should not be granted enlisted men when undergoing basic training, in attendance at special schools, or officer candidate schools, when participating in maneuvers conducted by commanders of corps or higher units, or undergoing target practice or similar special training.

Army Frowns on Harvest Furloughs

Soldiers won't be given furloughs in order to go home and harvest crops, unless there is an actual food emergency caused by exhaustion of present food stocks and elimination of all sources of farm labor, Maj. Gen. J. A. Ullo, adjutant general, insists.

In a letter to a congressman, General Ullo said: "During recent months many occupational groups have requested the War Department to return soldiers to civil life to relieve current labor shortages. However, the release of soldiers to one occupation would require the release of additional soldiers to other occupations, with the inevitable loss to the Army of thousands of soldiers being rigorously trained for combat."

She Got Him

CAMP DAVIS, N. C.—"What's your soldier friend's name?" a Service Club hostess asked a pretty girl inquiring for an Anti-aircraft Artilleryman.

The girl calmly lifted her dress a few inches above a shapely knee. There vividly tattooed, was name, battery, and Army aerial number. She got her man.

She Didn't

CAMP DAVIS, N. C.—A soldier entered the Service Club here where he had been summoned from his anti-aircraft artillery unit. He glanced around for a visitor he had been told awaited him. Then, galvanized into lightning action, he bolted out the door.

The young woman who awaited him, sadly explained it was her former husband. "We've been divorced 15 years," she said, "but I thought he might want to start anew."

All United States Army officers' clubs as well as Army canteens and post exchanges are to be "dry" from now on.

War Department Circular No. 29, dated January 25, 1943, contains notice that sale of anything stronger than 3.2 per cent "near" beer is forbidden "upon any premises used for military purposes by the United States."

Previously similar regulations, established by law, had been applied to Army posts, canteens, etc., but officers' clubs had been permitted to dispense stronger drinks. (Some said it was done on the theory that the liquor belonged to the officers and was not being sold.)

This practice must now be abandoned, according to the circular.

The ruling returns 5,000,000 enlisted men and 700,000 officers to the beer or light wine of 3.2 per cent alcoholic content which Congress in 1933 declared to be "non-intoxicating." Hereafter they may have hard liquor only when they go outside the military reservation on leave.

For the enlisted men, who have never been able to buy anything stronger than beer within the Army establishments, the order put renewed force behind the prohibition against bringing back a bottle of hard liquor from leave.

For the officers it meant nothing but beer at the clubs where cocktails and whisky and hard drinks appropriate to the weather have flourished on many Army posts for almost a decade.

Commanders who only the previous day had enjoyed a cocktail or a highball at their officers' club grimly signed orders impounding the liquor supply and directing the mess officer to rid the premises of the intoxicants.

Under the law, which has been brought back to Army notice, the officers would have to wait for leave and then take their liquor off the reservation to consume it in civilian settings.

Even civilian hotels now taken over by the Army will be affected in the same way as officers' clubs and military camps. Nothing stronger than 3.2 per cent of alcohol will be allowed hereafter in the public bars, restaurants or anywhere else in two hotels at Asbury Park, N. J., which already have been ruled to be Army establishments.

The circular calls attention to the Congressional Act of February 2, 1901, forbidding the sale of any intoxicating liquor in any post exchange, canteen or Army transport or upon any premises used for military purposes; and to the subsequent act of March 22, 1933, specifying that any drinks containing "not more than 3.2 per cent of alcohol" would be considered "non-intoxicating."

Those provisions will be enforced not only with regard to Army exchanges, canteens, transports, but officers' clubs and messes as well.

It also states that 3.2 per cent beer may be sold on Army posts unless a State law in the State in which the military premises are located prohibits such sale throughout that State.

Canadian Army Ration Cut

OTTAWA—Canadian soldiers, sailors and flyers won't be eating as well from now on, but they'll still be doing better than civilians. Rations for all ranks, with the exception of a few on sea-going ships, in certain operational stations and serving in isolated places in the far north, will be reduced in beef, pork, fish, butter, sugar, coffee and tea, the Defense Council announced.

The aim is to bring Army rations more in line with the civilian scale. The sugar ration has been reduced 12 1/2 per cent and the other items 25 per cent, which still leaves the service scale higher than the civilian.

To compensate, allowances of eggs, potatoes and tomato juice will be increased and lamb, chicken and turkey will be issued twice a month each.

THESE faces watching you from the underbrush are not the faces of Japanese. Some of their forbears were Japanese, it is true, but these men are Americans. They're members of the 100th Infantry Battalion, GHQ Reserve, and in the service of the United States. The battalion was recently formed to include loyal Japanese-Americans who were formerly part of the Hawaiian National Guard. In this picture, Pvt. Takeshi Omuro handles the machine gun while Pfc. Kentoku Nakasone feeds the belt.

Drum Says Many in Army May Remain Overseas

Gen. Hugh A. Drum, receiving an honorary doctorate of military science at Georgetown University predicted that the pioneering spirit of our Army would lead many soldiers to settle after the war in countries where they had fought and to contribute their talents to the development of these "discovered" regions.

Speaking to a graduating class of 156 seniors, most of whom will soon be in the armed forces, General Drum declared:

"If the peace that follows this war is a real peace, and gives men confidence in the future, I can well imagine a migration of men, talents, capital from this country to these regions 'discovered' because of the war. The American Army is teaching

many skills and crafts to its soldiers. And the American soldier is going to visit many places. It seems reasonable to assume that all this will have lasting effect on the post-war migration of peoples and talents."

Reviews Army Pioneering

General Drum, in the commencement address, sketched the history of pioneering in the American Army from the days when it opened Western frontiers for settlers until the present.

To the graduates, he said: "Not all of you will be in Europe. Some may be in Africa, in the islands of the Pacific, perhaps on the continent of Asia. You will see many countries which, rightly or wrongly, are called backward countries. You may discover that some of these countries are not so poor as we think and that there is a real opportunity for pioneering. You may be tempted some day to return to one of these regions and pioneer."

As for opportunities of the present, General Drum told the graduates they would join the Army faced with the greatest task of pioneering that any Army had ever

undertaken.

"This task," he declared, "consists of conquering a wilderness in Europe that has been created by war, or rehabilitating the people who are captives there. Defeating the enemy will require every skill we possess as soldiers. But concurrently with fighting, we must begin the process of rehabilitation."

"That is why the American soldier will find he must be something more than a soldier. He will assist in establishing civilized government; he will participate in efforts to relieve suffering. He will play a vital part in administering relief—food to the hungry, medicine to the sick and news of the outside world to those who for three years have been kept in ignorance."

The job of rehabilitation, he said, subsequently would be taken over by other agencies of the American Government, but in the earlier periods it must be performed by the Army.

Fee on Overseas PX Purchases Changed

Effective Jan. 1, 1943, a fee of one half of one per cent will be charged by Army Exchange Service on all purchases made for the account of exchanges outside the continental limits of the United States. This fee will be paid in lieu of the fee established by paragraph 4, section I, Circular No. 124, War Department, 1941. For the purposes of this circular the continental limits of the United States is deemed to include only the 48 states and the District of Columbia.

The change is announced in War Department Circular No. 29, Jan. 25, 1943.

Army Invents Mine Detector

FORT BELVOIR, Va.—For the first time, the Army revealed this week that this country has developed a new device that detects that scourge of land forces—the ground mine.

This was disclosed to a group of reporters who toured this historic engineer post.

The secret device is believed to be the last word in land-mine detectors. It conveys to the operator a sound which increases in volume when it is placed over a buried mine. It is small, compact and can be carried by a soldier.

Other belligerents have used mine detectors for some time. The Russians, British and Germans are reported to have efficient types, and the Italians a crude sort. America's is entirely new, and no word concerning it hitherto has been allowed to leak out.

Copies of the Army Times are made available to all Army hospitals through the American Red Cross.

'Jeep-O' Club Helps Soldiers Get Around

Free Ride Campaign Enlists Aid of Civic Bodies

FORT McCLELLAN, Ala.—In these parts, 'Jeep-O' means depot, where soldiers wait for 'Jeepers'. A Jeoper is any person who guest-rides a soldier. And the plan, inaugurated by The Cycle (post paper), is going great guns.

This week, the Anniston Kiwanis Club endorsed the plan

A New Idea



For Your Camp?

and agreed to take over the cost of printing signs and windshield stickers. They will establish Jeep-Os in town and supply stickers to car-owners who apply for them. Jeoper pledges for civilians will be published in the town papers.

The McClellan campaign to enlist a corps of drivers who are willing to give soldiers a lift about camp and to and from town is not confined to civilians. The initial plea last week brought

THE JEEPER'S PLEDGE

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immediate response from officers and enlisted men in camp who drive cars. An increase has already been noted in the number of soldiers being picked up by autos leaving the post.

At the same time, three more Jeep-Os have been added to the original six on the reservation.

Here's Your Chance, Tunesmiths To Get Your Melodies Heard

Soldier songwriters will be given a chance to have their songs distributed and brought to the attention of publishers through a plan worked out by ARMY TIMES, together with the Music Section, Special Service Division.

Meanwhile, the Army Song Parade of the Month, announced in the January 30 issue of ARMY TIMES, is on its way to a grand opening later this month when the February hit song selections will be announced, and the songs distributed to Army personnel everywhere. Twenty-one judges, including leading band leaders and musicians, are now making the first month's selections. The March of Time and other national radio shows and the major networks are planning to join in the introduction of the Song Parade to the Army and to the nation.

Given Chance

Last week, the ARMY TIMES reported that song writers are to have their chance to show their stuff, and predicted that Army-written songs soon will gain top ranking along with the most popular songs of the Nation.

Here's how song writers can take part, gain recognition and perhaps fame and fortune. All you need to do is come up with hit tunes, war songs (or other songs) that will catch on and be sung and remembered through the years, as were the songs that won popularity during World War I.

ARMY TIMES will assist songwriters who send in songs for consideration in the program. The songs will be turned over to the Music Section, Special Service Division, for consid-

eration and appraisal of their possibilities. The songs will also be brought to the attention of song publishers. The best selections, in the opinion of competent judges, will be publicized in ARMY TIMES. Further details of the plan to promote the best soldier-written songs will be reported in next week's issue of ARMY TIMES.

Send your songs to: SONG EDITOR, Army Times, Daily News Bldg., Washington, D. C.

They may be strictly patriotic, or deal with some other subject, such as the humorous side of Army life, soldiers' sweethearts, or thoughts and fancies that come to mind and lend themselves to song treatment.

Suggestions

Here's a practical suggestion—the voice range should not go below A, second line below the G clef. The top note of the melody must not have too many high notes, nor too many low notes. This means it should stay within the comfortable range of the average soldier's voice.

Your song may have verses and a chorus, or it may be a complete unit that is—with no separation between verses and chorus. Naturally, your song should tend to be easy rather than difficult.

Outstanding Hits

In the Army Song Parade, the first month's selections will probably include such song hits as "This Is the Army, Mr. Jones," "Praise the Lord and Pass the Ammunition," "I've Got Sixpence," "Move It Over," "There's a Star Spangled Banner Waving," "I Had the Craziest Dream," "Bless Them All," "Moonlight Becomes You," "Dearly Beloved," "There Are Such Things," "When the Lights Go On Again," and "You'd Be So Nice to Come Home To."

One million copies of the words of the six songs selected each month will be distributed to Army units, together with professional copies and orchestrations. The lyrics will be printed on uniform cards on the basis of 50 sets for each 200 men.

Sill Redlegs Study Use of Photography

FORT SILL, Okla.—Steps are being taken by the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill to exploit the possibilities of photographic methods in conjunction with field artillery work, particularly from observation posts and for general reconnaissance purposes.

The photographic equipment of the school is being enlarged to include all types of photograph, including still shots for regular and stereoscopic purposes as well as moving picture filming in both 16 and 35 mm. sizes. The moving pictures include black and white filming as well as kodachrome.

In stereoscopic work, various commercial methods will be experimented with to determine the most practicable type for general field

work. The present equipment includes movie cameras in both the 16 and 35 mm. sizes, 4 x 5 inch speedographs for normal photography, an 8 x 10 camera equipped with a wide angle lens, and a stereoscopic camera which has been used by school photographers with good results.

IF A BOMBING plane's hydraulic system is put out of commission by an enemy bullet, steel cylinders full of high-compressed carbon dioxide—soda pop gas—can be released by the pilot. With an 80-horsepower wallop, the expanding gas pushes down stuck landing wheels, opens bomb-bay doors or puts on jammed landing brakes.

Stewart Water Lab Assists Neighbors

CAMP STEWART, Ga.—The Camp Stewart Water Laboratory not only purifies its own drinking water, but also tests the purity of water for 41 other Army posts.

T. M. LeHardy, sanitary engineer, said that the Stewart lab tests the drinking water for a total of 41 posts in this neighborhood, including many small air fields and posts and stations as far north as the east coast of Florida.

LeHardy pointed out that Stewart is fortunate in that its drinking water requires only chlorination to keep it in a drinkable state, whereas many other posts and camps have to treat their water with a complicated purification process. Stewart water is easily purified because it comes from a limestone formation, he explained.

He added, however, that the Stewart water is tested regularly once each week to insure a constant purification.

To do all this work, the lab employs two high-trained bacteriologists, Miss Jane Byrd, in charge, and Miss Elizabeth Morrison. They are graduates of the University of

Ski Champ Shows Films to Soldiers

CAMP ROBERTS, Calif.—Pvt. Torger Tinkle, North American ski jumping champion, now undergoing his basic training in Co. A, 88th Inf. Tng. Bn., is screening films he shot at leading ski jumping tournaments throughout the United States, Canada and Norway, before soldier audiences in the Camp Roberts Service Club.

STRATOSPHERE MASKS worn by pilots at Kelly Field, Tex., are lined with wool-like asbestos to protect wearers from both cold and fire.

Georgia and also of the Water Bacteriology Course at the Fourth Service Command Laboratory, Fort MacPherson, Ga.

The laboratory is operated under the direction of the post engineer, Lt. Col. Truman C. McMullan.

Of Course, They Put Them Together

CAMP BARKELEY, Tex.—Speaking of extremities, a Medical Replacement Training Center recruit

Wheeler Whirl

By Pvt. Dick Tracey

CAMP WHEELER, Ga.—Headlining the Wheeler social whirl the past week-end was the big President's Ball sponsored by the third battalion Friday night in the main Service Club here at this infantry post. Extra good dance music was provided by Sgt. Harrison Cooper and his band and everyone had a swell time.

Another high spot in the week-end entertainment program was the farce presentation "On the Double" presented in the post gymnasium by the Third Post Band. Plenty of fine music and comedy was mixed in a pleasing manner for the pleasure of a capacity audience in the gym. Sgt. Herbert Harrison was in charge of the program.

The Spokes, Camp Wheeler's crack basketball team, moved three steps nearer to gaining consideration as the Southeast's top ranking service quintet by trouncing the Fort Benning, Ga., Parachute School, University of Georgia and Georgia Naval Pre-Flight teams the past week-end. The trio of triumphs gave the Spokes a record of 15 wins in 18 contests. The only team to hold a win over the infantrymen and not having been topped in a return engagement is the New York Celtics. Cochran Field and the Georgia Pre-Flighters are the other two fives to stop the Wheelermen. In compiling their fine record the Spokes have tallied 807 points to 487 for the opposition, and captain and coach Cpl. Carl Ott paces the scorers with 217 points in 17 tilts.

from New York and one from Oakland, Calif., one wearing size 16-plus shoes, the other size 3, arrived here in the same living quarters of the same company of the same battalion the other day to begin their basic training.

Their description puts the Mutt and Jeff comparison to shame, and exaggeration is placed on a factual basis when you start talking about them.

There's 26-year-old Walter Hecht, the battleship type, who stands 6 feet, 5 inches tall in his stocking feet, and weighs 227 pounds, and 34-year-old Alfonso Uribe, the mosquito boat, 5-footer who weighs in at 151 with most of his equipment on. And like their respective seafaring types, each in his own way, packs a lot of punch. When they stand together, you're reminded of the Empire State building and the little grass shack at Kealahakua, Hawaii. You only have to unlace Hecht's extra pair of shoes a little way down to get

Uribe's extras inside—and then you'll have two bedrooms, a bathroom, and breakfast nook left over!

Hecht came off a train in North Carolina—where he evidently ate lots of beef and drank plenty of fresh milk—while Uribe also is a farm boy.

Both live in Hutment 1, side by side, Co. D, 57th Medical Training Battalion. Uribe got his shoes after a 40-day wait at his reception center, the Presidio of Monterey. And, as might be expected, Hecht waited 63 days at his reception center, Camp Upton, N. Y., until two special pairs of footwear could be manufactured for him.



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THIS is the moment she felt some day might come, and now that it's here she isn't sure she can face it as others expect her to. There is a small tug-of-war going on inside her. On one side is the girl who was going to get married when she was 20 and keep working until the baby came. On the other end of the rope is a woman in the service of her country. Now she is leaving that country for a place faintly remembered from her geography books. She is a WAAC auxiliary, standing at the ship's rail, watching the shoreline grow dim.

Camp Has Everything But WAACs and Acks

CAMP CLAIBORNE, La. — If we were to call the roll of the various branches of service in training here we'd get a long way down the list before we would have to stop.

"Army Air Forces" would bring a rousing response from the Aerial Engineers of the EUTC. We'd find an abundance of Infantrymen in the 103d, Cactus Division. Medics are to be found in every part of the camp, and the Nurses' Corps is also well represented. Very much the same is true of the Chaplains Corps. Quartermaster troops with a variety of specialties seem to be everywhere.

The reconnaissance troops of the Cactus Division, besides being a decided thorn in Hitler's Axis, are present as representatives of the Army's Cavalry. A potent portion of the Field Artillery is also to be found in the 103d.

If all of our Engineers were to march past a given point two abreast, wouldn't that be something? We've got two or three types of Signal Corps soldiers here, and they're just as interested in our Finance Department as the rest of us.

That rough outfit we know as the

Armored Force is capably represented by the 5th Tank Group. A couple more colored units, the Chemical Decontamination Companies, can add a strong voice for the Chemical Warfare Service. A postal unit could speak up for the Adjutant General's Department. Ordnance could make itself heard through such effective units as the 852nd Maintenance Battalion. The Detached Enlisted Men's list includes both the camp Headquarters unit and the Service Detachment. The Corps of Military Police, bless them, are found in both the Station Complement and the 103d.

That very new branch, the Tank Destroyers, has more than one battalion in training here.

Some Coast Artillery insignia have been seen about camp. We're still looking for men of the Army's newest branch, Anti-Aircraft. We haven't seen any yet, but one of the advantages of the Army is that you never know what tomorrow will bring.

If rumors were official orders there'd be a WAAC here for every soldier. If, and when, they do arrive, it'll be every man for himself.

Letter to FDR Finally Got Barbara Army-born Puppy

TERRE HAUTE, Ind.—A letter to President Roosevelt was the final weight which won a puppy away from the U. S. Army for 11-year-old Barbara Ann Headford, but the interest of Brig. Gen. R. E. Hardy of the Ordnance Department helped swing the deal.

Barbara Ann's father, a Terre Haute ordnance plant worker, promised her a puppy for Christmas. He had to go back on that promise but he assured her that some puppies were soon to be born "out at the plant" and he would speak for one.

A week or so later he had to go back on that promise too when he explained that the pups were born on government property and they belonged to the United States.

So Barbara wrote to the President, adding "My daddy said that I would have to ask you if I can have one, May I?"

Her letter was turned over to General Hardy, who wrote to Bar-

bara:

"I am happy to inform you that you will be presented with a male puppy from the Vigo ordnance plant just as soon as the dog is of age, which will be near Feb. 1."

Barbara has named her pup "Dynamite."

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AGF: The Week's News of the Army Ground Forces Straight from Headquarters in Washington

HEADQUARTERS, ARMY GROUND FORCE.—A demonstration held at the Arsenal in Edgewood, Md., last Saturday was viewed by Lt. Gen. Lesley J. McNair, commanding general of Army Ground Forces, and a number of officers from Headquarters.

General McNair and a group of officers were scheduled to visit the Airborne Command at Fort Bragg, N. C., this week.

Production of equipment used in aiding in the training of men in the armed services will be coordinated by a joint clearing committee on which Lt. Col. Louis W. Haskell of the G-3 Section at Headquarters will be the Army Ground Forces representative. The committee was established by the War and Navy Departments.

Maj. Gen. Andrew Bruce, commanding general of the Tank Destroyer Center, Camp Hood, Tex., conferred at Headquarters last week.

A number of officers at Headquarters attended a farewell gathering in honor of Col. Thomas F. Bresnahan, former commandant of the Army War College post. Colonel Bresnahan has left to take up a new assignment. He is succeeded by Col. George I. Smith.

Conservation of rubber is stressed by General McNair in the directive issued by Headquarters this week.

Armored Force—The Soldier's Medal was awarded posthumously to three enlisted men of the 7th Armored Division who drowned in attempting to swim the Sabine River at Burr Ferry, La., during maneuvers last October 17, at a ceremony held recently at division headquarters.

Capt. Wadsworth P. Clapp also received the medal. After leading volunteers across the river, he tried in vain to save the three men who drowned. They were Sgt. Oliver T. Lockhart, Pvt. Martin G. Lackney and Clayton O. Krigstad.

The Haskard Map, a large-scale reproduction of the Salisbury plain in England, is used by the Tactics Department of the Armored Force School at Fort Knox, Ky. The map recently provided a surprise for Brig. C. A. Sykes of the British Army Staff in Washington, who found his home, Cortington Manor, faithfully represented on the map.

Artillery ranges at Camp Campbell, Ky., were used for the first time when the 398th Battalion of the 8th Armored Division, commanded by Lt. Col. Robert Thompson, fired recently.

The radio program "This Nation At War" was broadcast last week from Fort Knox. The program, dealing with Armored Force training, included a night demonstration of tank, machine gun and cannon fire.

Infantry—A demonstration of Ranger tactics and Infantry procedure arranged by officers of the 76th Infantry Division of Fort Meade, Md., was given by men of the division before members of the Women's National Press Club at the Hotel Willard in Washington, D. C., during the past week.

Maj. Gen. William R. Schmidt, commanding officer of the 76th Division, addressed members of the club. He urged that American soldiers

remember the admonition of a Biblical scholar, Joshua, to his men regarding the enemy: "Put your feet upon the neck of them."

Automatic rifles, machine guns, and an 81 mm. trench mortar were used in the demonstration.

Second Army—Lt. Gen. Ben Lear, commanding general of the Second Army, reviewed the 365th Regimental combat teams in a review at Camp Atterbury, Ind., this week.

General Lear, speaking to officers and non-commissioned officers following the parade, stressed the need for cooperation, unity and leadership as being fundamental if victory is to be achieved.

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Democracy in Action

The new liquor ban (story on Page 1) means this: A little community of 3,000 bone-dry souls was strong enough to dictate to the entire Army of the United States what it could drink in its own house.

The borough of Collingswood, N. J., had voted itself dry by local referendum. The war brought it an Army camp. Collingswood welcomed the Army with open pockets, enjoyed the improvement in local business, but could not bear the impious thought of anybody drinking liquor stronger than grapejuice.

The borough solicitor complained to the State Alcoholic Beverage Control commissioner. He learned that the state would not interfere with a Federal establishment, but that there were still laws on the Federal books which could be invoked.

The protest was carried to the War Department. Circular Order No. 29 was issued, reminding the Army that a statute of 1901 prohibits "beer, wine and any intoxicating liquors" upon "any premises used for military purposes by the United States." So the camps went dry. (Incidentally, the law does not seem to apply to the Navy. Navy officers' clubs are still serving hard liquor.)

This ban is another attempt by the prohibition minority to force its will upon the armed forces. We look for an attempt, soon, to dry up the areas around Army and Navy posts and stations.

Why All This Volunteer Stuff?

Civilian response to Red Cross appeals for blood donors, it now turns out, has not been up to snuff. As a result, accumulation of donations in the blood bank has been slow. This leads a prominent New York physician to make a suggestion.

He points out that the several million men in armed service are in the prime of life, have been carefully examined and found free from disabling disease, and would make peachy blood donors.

He wants each soldier to give a pint of his blood at some time during his training period. No man should object, the doctor says, because the soldier is giving blood which he himself may receive in time of need.

We think the average soldier would object less to giving the blood than to the idea behind the plan. It is simply this: Civilians have been asked to give blood and have not responded satisfactorily. Therefore, the easiest way out is to tell the soldier to fork over. Objections! Impossible!

What we would like to see is a little regimentation in civilian ranks. A little more "Do this" and a little less "Please". By the time a soldier finishes recruit training, what little blood the sergeant hasn't sweated out of him is practically priceless. Most civilians can stand a bit of forced bleeding and never miss the stuff.

Goddesses of the Clip-Joints

There's no denying soldiers are proud of the women in the Army, whether they be WAACS, WAVES, WOWS—or even lady barbers. After the recent discovery of the charming Miss Edna Walker, hair-clipper, head-masseuse and shaver supreme at Camp Bowie, Tex., it seems soldiers hunted through the catacombs of their camps looking for these female head-stylists for soldiers.

Camp Pickett, Va., issued word in Army Times that they have a Mrs. Dorothy Mills who has been clipping along regularly with much gusto and to the delight of the men stationed there.

Lady barbers are not rare phenomena; and since war emergency measures produce sundry situations, lady barbers shaving soldiers do not come under that category. The result of unearthing these female head-shavers and clippers of Army men has produced one fact which, though old as time, is worth bringing out. Both the female barbers in Army Camps found so far agree that men are easier to please—and a lot more pleasant to work on—than women. Say the women, the men talk a lot less, too.

The Army at home now anxiously awaits word from Alaska about lady barbers there—if any. The men in Africa must have discovered their own interesting way of noggin-clipping, perhaps with the help of women.

America waits for word from their fighting men on the far-flung fronts—through what means is the hair and beard coming off?

War Words Where'd They Come From?

Mortar

In military usage, a cannon with a tube short in relation to its caliber, used to throw projectiles with low muzzle velocities at high angles. This is but one meaning out of many of a common English word, all senses being traceable back to the Latin *mortarium*, which had the primary meaning of "a vessel in which things were pounded." The Latin word was akin to a Sanskrit root meaning "to grind or crush." The mortar in which things were pounded was known to the Anglo-Saxons, who called it a *mortere* (from the Latin), and in that sense it is an

old word in our language. But *mortarium* also means the trough in which mortar, the plastic building material, was made. The Latin word was the source of the Old French and French *mortier*, which also had these various meanings. Our name for the cannon came directly from the French and its use has been extended to the cannon that throws a life line to vessels in distress and to a similar contrivance used for throwing pyrotechnic bombs.

Howitzer

The influence of Roman languages,

especially French, upon English has been far greater than that of the Teutonic tongues, although the latter are more closely related to the Anglo-Saxon racially. Loan words from the High German are not common in present-day English although World War II has given us a few: *blitzkrieg* (and *blitz*), *Stuka*, *Fanzer*, *flak*. Earlier borrowings were names of food and drink (*noodle*, *sauerkraut*, *schnapps*, etc.), music terms (*leitmotiv*, *waltz*), and especially mineralogical and geological terms. We would expect more military terms from our knowledge of the part the Prussians have

played in European history since the time of Frederick the Great. But *howitzer* appears to be one of the few examples of terms of this kind that are still in use. It is from the German *haubitze*. An earlier form was *haufnitz*, originally borrowed from the Bohemian word *houfnice*, which meant a catapult. The short cylindrical barrel of this piece of ordnance was designed to give a curved trajectory, at angles between 20 and 45 degrees; the shell was hurled in a manner somewhat like the missile of the ancient catapult.

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Sign Your Name



—By Pvt. John Stampone

The PMG Explains: Military Government

2. The Necessity for It

By Maj. Gen. Allen W. Gullion

Military government is not novel—neither is it peculiarly a Nazi or Fascist device as some seem to think. For thousands of years, every victorious army in conquered territory has employed it.

We Americans are no exception. We set up a military government in Florida during the Seminole war and in Louisiana before

the Purchase. We had such governments in Mexico, Cuba, Puerto Rico, Panama, China and the Philippines. Our latest adventure was in the Rhineland after the armistice of the World War.

Despite our many and extended experiences in this field, every military government set up by an American Army has been attacked, by the unknowing or by those who would not see, as imperialistic and contrary to the genius of America. When General Winfield Scott erected his firm and just military government in Mexico, the usually able Democratic Secretary of War, William L. Marcy, was shocked and the Whigs made a campaign issue of it. Yet Justin Smith and other authorities on the period have only praise for General

Scott's action.

Military government is divided into two phases. There is the phase in which the Army is temporarily in control. This would be usually followed by a period in which an American or allied civil government replaces government by the Army, after which the occupied area is ordinarily returned to the defeated nation under the terms of a treaty of peace.

When the enemy has been driven back and his territory over-run by the victorious army, the scene is usually one of chaos. Frequently the area has changed hands several times. Towns have been coverted, homes have been destroyed, industry and commerce have been paralyzed,

utilities have been ruined, food supplies are non-existent, famine and pestilence are imminent. The local government has either fled or become powerless. Should such conditions prevail even in our own country, either in time of peace due to earthquake or other natural disaster, or in time of war following the ejection of an enemy, martial law, (Continued on Page 15)

LETTERS

Claim Record

Reference to item in January 16, 1943 issue of Army Times re: \$1,400,000 National Service Life Insurance sold by 430th Sep Battalion, AA, Camp Davis, N. C.

Here's the figure for Hq. Company, 1st Battalion, of the 68th Armored Regiment.

In a three-week campaign Lt. Samuel Kind, the company commander of Hq. 3rd sold \$1,273,000 worth of insurance to the men of his company. The average for all men of the company is \$9,030 and for those present with the company \$9,653. I think this company of 141 men have the best record I heard of so far.

Maintenance Company of the 68th Armored Regt. also sold over a million dollars worth of insurance.

SGT. THOMAS J. HUNT, APO 256, Los Angeles Personal Section, 68th Arm. Regt.

Save Bottle Caps

Would you please let me know if this idea is in effect: Is there any gathering up of bottle caps throughout Army posts and stores? These metal caps can be converted into many implements to help the war effort.

Cpl. Jack Ackerman, HQ, XII Corps

Columbia, S. C.

(Thanks for the suggestion, Corporal. We believe the salvage officers at most posts have caught on to this phase of the program and are working at it steadily.—Ed.)

Krueger Honored

Third Army Commander Given Highest Mexican Decoration

SAN ANTONIO, Tex.—Lt. Gen. Walter Krueger, commander of the Southern Defense Command and Third Army, has received from Mexican Ambassador Francisco Najera the Order of the Aztec Eagle, highest decoration awarded by the Mexican government.

The presentation was made at the Mexican Embassy in Washington, D. C. Ambassador Najera, in making the award, declared that "General Krueger was one of the outstanding soldiers in the United States Army and paid tribute to his work in fostering relations between the United States and Mexico over a period of years. General Krueger had recently returned from Mexico City, where he was the guest of the Mexican government during the thirty-second annual celebration of the Mexican Revolution. While in the Mexican capital, he was accorded honors by President Avila Camacho; Gen. Lazaro Cardenas, Minister of National Defense; and Gen. Francisco L. Urquiza, Under-secretary of National Defense.

The citation accompanying the description read as follows:

The President of the Mexican Republic confers the National Decoration of the Mexican Order of the Aztec Eagle, in the grade of Baldrice, to WALTER KREUGER, Lieutenant General of the Army of the United States of America. In Faith of which I issue the present authorization with the grand seal of the Nation authenticated by the Secretary of Foreign Relations. (Signed at) Mexico City, D. F., the twenty-fourth day of the month of November of Nineteen hundred forty-two. President, signed/ M. Avila Camacho; Secretary of Foreign Relations, signed/ E. Padilla; Director General of Political Affairs and of the Diplomatic Service, Secretary of the Order, signed/ Manuel Tello.

Maxey Mixtures

CAMP MAXEY, Tex.—Company I, 406th Infantry, boasts two former Golden Gloves champions to fight in the camp tournament to determine entrants in the State Golden Gloves bouts at Fort Worth. Pvt. Leo P. Barbutto, 147-pound winner in the Philadelphia Golden Gloves bouts in 1938 and Pvt. Guy E. Heavener, flyweight winner of the Bowling Green, Ky., bouts in 1941, are heavy favorites with their company to bring back the trophies.

Camp Maxey personnel will be featured on the Eighth Service Command's War Bond radio show, "What's Your Name, Soldier?" Friday, Feb. 12. The show may be heard from 9:30 to 10:00 p.m. CST, over all the Texas Quality Network Stations each Friday.

TRESPASSERS BEWARE!!

Pfc. Richard Donaldson, Jesse Laxson, and Hubert Parker have the ideal job for animal lovers. They are training dogs to assist sentries guarding installations, etc., here.

Lt. John L. Fuess, Camp War Bond Officer, is conducting an intensive campaign to enroll military personnel and civilian employees of the camp in the pay reservation plan for buying War Bonds.

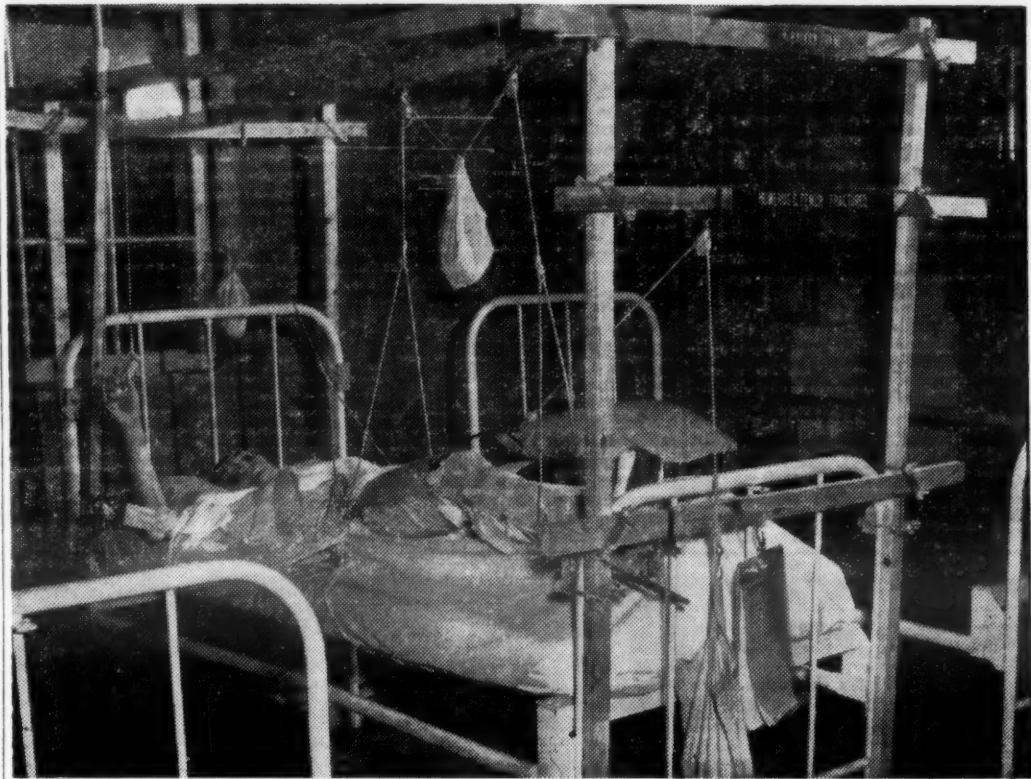
Maybe it's more than just a coincidence that Pvt. Herbert Stamp, mail clerk for the Med. Det., is also a stamp collector.

DOUBLE TALK

"Maintenance Office, Captain Major speaking" might have been confusing to anyone calling the maintenance office unless they knew that Capt. Robert L. Major was chief of the maintenance branch. Now that he has been promoted to major, somebody may think it's double talk when he hears, "Maintenance Office, Major Major speaking," via the telephone.

NOT UNTIL 1929 was a monument to an unknown soldier of the Revolutionary War raised — over the grave in the burial ground of the old Presbyterian Church of Alexandria, Va.

Use Dummies In Medical Instruction



'GRETA' is shown here in the ward building of the 4th Medical Training Regt., suffering from a broken arm and leg.

CAMP PICKETT, Va.—Even inanimate beings like "Greta" and "Alphonse," two show-window dummies from a local department store, have gone to war.

You might say they came under the "Selective Service," for one day, with no questions asked, the department store manager took them out of their glamorous spot in the show window where they were displaying the latest '43 styles and sent them off to the Medical Replacement Training Center here at Camp Pickett.

When they arrived they weren't in what you might call the "pink" of condition, for "Greta" had a fractured "femur" and "humerus" (broken arm and leg) while "Alphonse" was suffering from "scarlet fever." To the Medical Department of the United States Army, these two cases were rather simple. Both patients were immediately put to bed, and from there on the work of "Greta" and "Alphonse" began.

Part of the training for many Medical soldiers is the instruction in the work of a ward attendant. These attendants are found in every Army hospital. Here in the Medical Replacement Training Center, which is under the command of Brig. Gen. William R. Dear, each regiment has a ward building, long, one-story structures that are equipped just like the ward in any Army hospital, where the Medical soldier receives this specialized training.

"Greta" and "Alphonse" went to the ward building of the Fourth Medical Training Regiment, where they are playing their new roles of patients. Each day they are the victims of a different disease or complicated fracture, and what's more, they seem to be enjoying it.

7th Armored Casts First Stage Show

CAMP POLK, La.—"Off Limits," the first all-division stage show attempt by the Seventh Armored Division, has almost completed casting and is expected to go into rehearsal shortly. An original musical comedy in two acts, written by Cpl. Phil Alexander and Mrs. Jean Van Winkle, "Off Limits" has drawn talent from every unit in the division. Maj. Gen. Lindsay McD. Silvester has called for a command performance on Feb. 15 at the division bowl.

"Off Limits" is a fast-moving Army farce with a decidedly novel twist. It hops right along from Camp Polk barracks to Washington, D. C. then to Turkey, where the "Holy Grail"—a contract for G-I harems—is finally realized.

The music, written and arranged by Cpl. B. C. Dunford, 40th Armored Regiment, with lyrics by Alexander, promises to be the high spot of the colorful extravaganza. All types, from the sentimental ballad, "The Private Pretends" to the snappy,

military "On My Way to Washington" are included.

A vocal chorus of fifty, directed by Cpl. John L. Blaker, 31st Armored Regiment and Cpl. Erik Kahlson of the 40th Armored Regiment, rounds out the musical menu. Kahlson, incidentally, has quite a musical background, having toured Europe, Canada and Cuba as a concert violinist prior to his coming to this country in 1925. The Finnish-born, Sweden-schooled maestro also conducts the orchestra in "Off Limits."

Dance director, Cpl. Monroe H. Bashford, 40th Armored Regiment, who, before induction, conducted his own dancing school in Vicksburg, Miss., must whip into shape 20 addicts of the terpsichore—but quickly. The division bowl stage will undergo a drastic face lifting operation scheduled to begin immediately so as to be ready for the curtain raising on Feb. 15.

Lt. Frederick Rivchun is director-producer of "Off Limits". He hopes to complete casting soon and to set-

tle down to two weeks of intensive rehearsals. Both post theaters have been made available and will be utilized from 7:30 in the morning until 5 p.m. Various recreation halls are to be used in the evenings. As Lieutenant Rivchun puts it, "We have a good musical comedy, lots of fine talent, music which is better than good and swell dance routines—and just two weeks to make it the grand show it will be."

QM Prepares Shoes To Wear in Jungle Wet

Because leather shoes last only a few weeks under jungle warfare conditions, the Army Quartermaster Corps has developed a rubber and canvas boot to replace standard issue footwear for tropical wear.

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Cyclone Mose
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Kids' Chores Buy Books For Phillips' Soldiers

CAMP PHILLIPS, Kan.—If it were possible, the tough soldiers of the 94th Infantry Division, stationed here, would adopt 42 children today. The kids, all in the 3rd grade of Lincoln School, Wichita, have endeared themselves by "giving dog shampoos for a quarter," "doing KP for my mother" and doing other odd jobs to buy three books for the men of the division.

One of the volumes, probably in a place of honor on Maj. Harry J. Malony's book-shelf today, contains the scrawled pencil signatures of 42 children in the Lincoln School's 3b class.

A typewritten note is attached to the last page of the book. It reads "The 3b boys and girls in Lincoln School, Wichita, Kansas, have had a jolly time buying this book for the

'boys.' We earned most of the money, too. Here's some of the ways we did it:

"Sold old newspapers—pounds and pounds."

"Lois Myers," (a 9-year-old blond with a freckled nose) "shampooed a puppy for a quarter."

"Socorra Galvan washed dishes for our teacher."

"Donald McCurdy did K. P. duty for his mother."

"Billy Dodd shoveled powdery snow."

FOOD SENT to our allies is cooked to their taste; thus Russia is receiving tinned "evinaya tushonka" a pre-cooked, highly spiced pork product popular in the Red Army.

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Lear Questions New Route to Texas

Offhand, would you say Lt. Gen. Ben Lear impressed you as somewhat of a wag, a sly fellow with his tongue in his cheek, and an apt hand with a vitriol-dipped pen? Well, back in '37 when the present commanding general of the Second Army was commander of Fort Bliss, Tex., he came across an apparently routine Special Order issued at Letterman General Hospital in San Francisco. The ensuing correspondence, recently unearthed by a friend of Army Times at a Western post (who shall remain nameless unless he signifies that he WANTS to stick his neck out), follows:

LETTERMAN GENERAL HOSPITAL
San Francisco, Calif.

October 1, 1937

SPECIAL ORDERS
NO. 210

EXTRACT

4. Under the provisions of par. 5, AR 40-600, W. D. 1924, Technical Sergeant PETER NELSON (R-2283026), Ordnance Department, having been reported physically fit for return to duty, is relieved from further observation and treatment at this General Hospital and will proceed to Fort McDowell, California, reporting upon arrival to the Commanding Officer, Overseas Discharge and Replacement Depot, for transportation on the first available transport to Fort Bliss, Texas, in compliance with Paragraph 25, Special Orders No. 117, Hqs. Hawaiian Department, dated May 17, 1937.

By order of Colonel BROOKE:
JOHN D. FOLEY
Captain, Med. Adm. Corps
Adjutant

HEADQUARTERS FORT BLISS,
TEXAS
Office of the Post CommanderFort Bliss, Texas
Oct. 6, 1937

SUBJECT: Transport Service, San Francisco to Fort Bliss.

TO: Commanding Officer, Letterman General Hospital, San Francisco, California.

1. A copy of your paragraph 4, Special Orders No. 210, has been received and noted with great interest and no little perturbation. A perusal of the transport sailings on file in this office fails to show any transport sailing scheduled from San Francisco to Fort Bliss. In the absence of this information, this headquarters assumes that the trip will be made up the Gulf of California and then either via the Colorado and Rio Grande rivers or the Gila and Rio Grande rivers. (See incl. No. 1, map of suggested trip.) Either route, it appears, would provide a most interesting adventure for both the crew and passengers. Of course the difficulties of portage between the headwaters of the rivers and over Boulder and Elephant Butte Dams would provide situations to titillate the imagination of the engineers.

2. If possible, request the transport be routed by Cloudcroft, New Mexico, where a shipment of pine slabs is waiting shipment to Fort Bliss for use in constructing a riding pen for the 7th Cavalry. If this can be arranged, the saving on motor transportation for this item alone should be almost enough to make up for the transport movement.

3. This headquarters wishes to cooperate fully in every way possible. In this respect these questions come to mind reference the trip:

a. The possibility of an International incident if the southern half of the Rio Grande is used.

b. The possibility of arousing the natives and natives of the states of Arizona, Utah, Colorado and New Mexico, respectively and progressively, in the event the interior route is chosen.

c. The necessity for salutes.

d. The practicability of conducting problems for Coast Artillery Corps Reserve in the four states mentioned; and

e. Whether or not the trip by either route should be publicized or kept secret.

Vet of 1918 Italian Army
Still Fights Same Enemy

CAMP EDWARDS, Mass. — Pvt. Frank Antonelli, a member of the 61st Quartermaster Battalion, was under age for military service in the Italian Army during World War I. Now 42 years old, he has entered the Army of the United States to fight against Italy's former enemies—but present allies.

Despite the fact that 20 was the military age, Pvt. Antonelli enlisted at the age of 18 in the Italian Army. He spent six months in the trenches near Keritza, Austria, and participated in that campaign. After he had served these six months in actual combat, it was discovered that he was under age and he was discharged.

4. There also arises the matter of repair to our local transport dock which has fallen into decay because of long disuse.

Also, might it not be a good plan to furnish portage from the Rio Grande to Fort Bliss? Due to the nature of the streams which must be navigated to reach Fort Bliss, it is assumed that the transport is

smallish, possibly a flat bottomed affair as a mud scow.

5. Further information is requested as to the ultimate destination of the transport. Does it go on to Omaha, Nebraska, possibly, or does it return to San Francisco? If the latter were the case, and it could reach Fort Bliss by October 15, a great saving to the government could be effected as there will be many persons desiring accommodations for the return trip. Also, Lt. Col. Harry R. MacKeller, M. C., is in receipt of orders to Vancouver Barracks and is suggested as transport surgeon for the return trip. Col. MacKeller is eminently qualified for this detail, having personally conducted many schooners over innumerable bars.

6. The exact date of arrival of the transport at this station would be appreciated, as the personnel of this command and the local townspeople are in a festa mood and plan a big

celebration. If sufficient time intervenes it may be possible to arrange for the Quartermaster General to attend the ceremonies. This would be a very appropriate gesture on his part, especially so since there has been nothing greater than a prairie schooner thru here in 10, these many years.

7. This Headquarters and the Ordnance Department appreciate deeply this unusually noble expenditure of effort to get Sgt. Nelson to us, and openly marvel at the ingenuity of the Medical Department in planning such a vastly radical departure from the humdrum routine of ordinary transport travel. Should further innovations in transport service be simmering in your executive offices, it is requested that we be notified promptly upon their adoption.

BEN LEAR
Brigadier General, U.S.A.
Commanding



ARE THESE the men of Mars? Nay. The scene is Camp Breckinridge, Ky., and the men are Lt. Col. David Armitage, chemical warfare officer for the 98th "Iroquois" Division, and his assistants. They're pouring deadly mustard gas into flasks for easier handling.

Signal Corps Photo.

Unreasonable Story:

NCO in a Hurry

The sergeant-instructor stood before the new recruits and decided to teach them the elementary principles of field maneuvers. He went on and on, far into the afternoon, putting the facts before his unwilling pupils, hammering into their heads, repeating himself a thousand times. The rookies were getting restless.

"Now this is going to keep up until chow time, the sergeant barked, 'so you might as well get used to it.'"

Rookie Daley didn't like this at all. Back at home he could never stand the inside of a classroom, and he was in no particular mood to start his school days all over again.

"When is chow time, teacher?" he squeaked from the back of the hall. All the rookies broke out into a guffaw. The sergeant went mad with rage.

"Chow time's at five o'clock" he screamed, "and there's not a man going to leave this hall until then!"

Daley stood up, and shouted back: "When five o'clock comes you can go climb an Alpine mountain for yourself!"

"Why you—" the buck exploded, and made a dash for him.

Daley ran out into the field, the sergeant at his heels. He ran all around the camp, jumped over a creek, up a hill, down a dale, over a bridge, and across the field. The sergeant was still close behind him. Daley spotted a steep hill a hundred yards in front of him, and started to climb it. The three-striper was catching up.

As luck would have it, a lieutenant was coming down the same hill. The lieutenant stared at the two in amazement, and managed to catch the sergeant by the scruff of the neck.

"Say, what's the matter?" the officer inquired. "Why are you chasing him up this hill?"

"He said—at five o'clock I can go climb an Alpine mountain for myself," the NCO panted.

The lieutenant looked at his watch, and then said, "Well, what's your hurry? It's only a quarter to."

—The Wildcat Call, Camp Rucker, Ala.

Gas-Man
Lingo

Chemical Agent—Illicit dealer in chemicals.

Persistent—Fruit, makes the mouth quicker if eaten green.

Lacrimator—A machine used to make drowned persons breathe.

Poison—Jersey word for "person."

Phosphorus—Narrow strait between Black Sea and Aegean Sea.

Vesicant—Group of virgins in ancient Rome.

Irritant Smoke—Cheap cigar.

Antidote—Taken in case of internal poisoning.

Slurry—Buggy or cart.

Reconnaissance—The rebuilding period in Europe during the Middle Ages.

Gas NCO's—Good Ideal!

Non-persistent—Won't spoil.

Chlorine—Dancer or burlesque girl.

Thermit—Man who lives alone and likes it.

Mortar—One who gives his life for his cause.

Cannister—Stair railing.

Diaphragm—Drawing or illustration.

Gas—Fuel used in olden days to run private vehicles (now practically non-existent).

Claim Record

ENID ARMY FLYING SCHOOL, Okla. — The Enid flying school's bowling team waxed plenty hot in a tourney with Fort Sill, Okla., when the local boys rolled 2696, believed to be a new team high for the nation's service bowlers. Highest score previously known here was 2666 by a team from the Jacksonville, Fla., Naval Base. The Enid team consisted of Pfc. Ralph Carter, Cpl. John S. Coffey, Sgt. R. G. Murray, Sgt. L. F. Fitzgerald and Sgt. Oliver Lundgren.

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Books

"Miracles of Military Medicine," by Albert Q. Maisel; Duell, Sloan and Pearce, New York; \$2.75.

To say of a factual book that it reads like a novel is considered high praise, but this story of the heroes of the medical corps is more interesting, more gripping, than a novel because every word of it is true.

These medical "miracles" are brand new. Some of them are developments since Pearl Harbor. Here explained for the uninitiated in clear, lucid language is an explanation of how blood plasma works, of the value of anti-tetanus shots, of what we are doing to replace quinine now that the Japs have got most of it, of what the sulfa drugs are and how they save lives. This book explains why death from war wounds has been cut to an all-time low of 1 per cent on Guadalcanal.

The first thing a layman asks about a book on a medical subject is: "Did Paul de Kruif write it?" No, Paul de Kruif didn't write this one, but it is written every bit as well as de Kruif could have done, and Maisel chose for his subject not dead and gone experimenters, but living, hard-working soldier-doctors who even now are doing their best to put this timely book out of date.



AN M-5 Light (16-ton) tank of the Armored Force at Fort Knox, Ky., disputes the right of way with the new M-6 heavy (60-ton) during tests conducted by the Armored Force Board. The big one will give you an idea of the size of the giants the Germans are reported to have brought up on the Tunisian front, but in no great force. Their "Tigers" weigh 62 tons.

'Desk Soldier' Hears Real Bullets Whiz

By Capt. Walter H. Dustmann Jr.
CAMP STEWART, Ga.—The Axis had better call it quits now, because, brother, this Army is really getting tough!

In fact, crawling through barbed wire entanglements under machine gun fire, using live bullets, while dynamite traps explode all around you, is getting to be child's play for it.

Not that this PRO found it child's play, because he has been holding down a desk for two years, but the soldiers he went through this miniature battleground with took it in

the spirit of a football drill and came charging and yelling through at the finish.

In the first day of this realistic combat training at Camp Stewart, I saw an entire battalion go through its paces on this 100-yard "live" battle course. Not a single man shrank back or even disclosed wobbly knees, although many of them must have been nervous, naturally.

This PRO, especially, was plenty nervous and he sampled the course along with 1st Lt. C. F. Gulda, Assistant Executive Officer of the Stewart Service Command, another "desk soldier." You are marched to the far side of the battleground, clad in dungarees, steel helmet and gloves. They line you up facing three wicked-looking machine guns about 120 yards away, but which look like they are glaring down your throat. You feel like a condemned man facing an execution squad.

An officer barks out at you: "Just a few words, men. When you hear the whistle fall flat on the ground. When you hear the second one start crawling. The machine guns fire 30 inches over your heads. There are two things to remember: don't crawl over anything you can go around; and don't go over anything you can go under. That's all."

The whistle blew. I think we all hit the ground simultaneously. Another whistle blast sounded. Several machine gun bursts told us this was the real business. We could see men crawling all around us, not wildly or nervously, but surprisingly coolly, taking it in stride, heads well down, legs out.

Each new machine gun burst—and they came all too frequently—with the lead pellets zinging overhead, and you seemed instinctively to dig your head and belly and arms and legs a little bit deeper into good mother earth. Then an explosion not more than two feet away deafens you and a shower of dirt covers you, but you keep on crawling as though stopping was impossible.

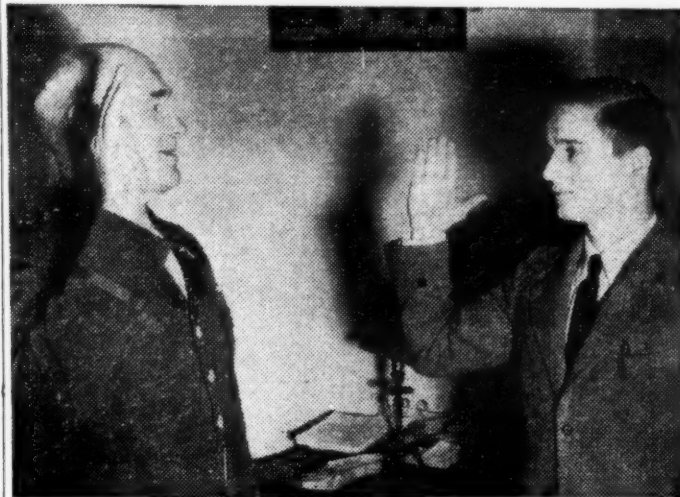
After the first hectic minutes you forget the bullets, or rather they bother you in a detached sort of way, like a mosquito or a gnat zooming around you, and instead all your thoughts and energies are devoted to the physically tough job of crawling and hugging the ground at one and the same time. It employs every muscle in your body—especially when

you have been at a desk—you are tensed all over, you feel this is the real thing and you are going through it with colors flying; in fact, you sort of feel ready for anything.

Another surprising thing to me was the ease with which you can get through the barbed wire, crawling under it like a human mole, when you know that you have to do

it that way, or else.

Then, when you reach the trench right before the machine gun, and a final whistle tells you that it is over, and the soldiers come out of the trench charging and yelling like Rebels, hardly winded, fit and ready for lots more (myself included), then you realize that the American Army is plenty tough, and getting tougher!



FIRST 17-year-old to enlist under the new plan is Daniel P. Davison, Groton School student, and first to volunteer his services from the school from which his commander-in-chief, President Roosevelt was graduated. Lt. Col. Stanley Powloski, head of the recruiting station at Fort Devens, Mass., is shown administering the oath to the youth who was accepted as an aviation cadet. His father is Col. F. Trubee Davison of Washington, former Assistant Secretary of War.

Eustis Parade

By Sgt. Jim Kluttz

FORT EUSTIS, Va.—Pvt. Walvie B. Autry, a distant relative of Gene Autry, the cowboy singing star, is a recent arrival in one of the training battalions here. Cpl. Walter Sessi, a member of the St. Louis Cardinals' baseball team before coming into the service, was recently transferred to Officers' Candidate School at Camp Davis, N.C. . . . Cpl. Sessi was a member of the Group II softball team that won the post championship this past summer.

Most embarrassed man of the week—Pvt. Phil Salvage, of the 14th Battalion, made dates with four different girls in a nearby town last weekend, so that he could be sure of one . . . Then two of them showed up together—and he had quite a time explaining his way out of the mix-up . . . Pvt. Montie Weeks, of the 13th Battalion, enjoys his week-end trips to nearby Williamsburg.

It's a long way down from the rank of colonel to that of private, but that's the story of Pvt. Sol Alpher of Battery A, 7th Battalion . . . As a cadet student leader at Central high school in Washington, D. C., he was presented a cadet commission as colonel by none other than General Douglas MacArthur, who at that time was a brigadier general . . . But Private Alpher figures there's nothing like starting from the bottom and working your way back up to the top, and that's what he's starting out to do.

Sgt. Charles W. Hart, photographer for the Fort Eustis Special Service office, is the proud father of

Eastern SCRTC Celebrates 2nd Anniversary Quietly

FORT MONMOUTH, N. J.—Brief but impressive ceremonies marked the second anniversary of the Eastern Training Center. The SCRTC now embraces Camp Charles Wood and Camp Edison, both subposts of Fort Monmouth, N. J.

Brig. Gen. E. L. Clewell, commanding general of the SCRTC, met with his staff and the officers of Camp Wood in the chapel shortly before noon. Col. L. J. Myers, executive officer of the SCRTC, presided. Chaplain C. H. Deven opened the

meeting with prayer. General Clewell thanked all officers and enlisted personnel for the remarkable job that has been done in spite of trying circumstances created by the rapid expansion of the Army.

Brig. Gen. George L. Van Deusen, Eastern Signal Corps Training Center Commander, reviewed the history of the SCRTC since its activation in 1941. He described the difficulty involved in the original contracts of building and the planning of the training program.

Fiddles Way Out of French Army Into American

CAMP PHILLIPS, Kan.—Thanks to the violin playing of Pvt. Rudolf Rubenstein, a Field Artilleryman in Maj. Gen. Malony's 94th Division, he is now a soldier in Uncle Sam's Army instead of being in a French Foreign Legion labor battalion.

With the fall of France, the For-

eign Legion, in which Rubenstein had volunteered, was demobilized but part of it was formed into a labor battalion and sent to the Sahara Desert to continue the construction of the Trans-Sahara railroad. Rubenstein found himself in the labor detail.

One night Rubenstein played at a concert attended by a general of the French army. He approached the general and told him that he volunteered for the duration and that he thought the duration was over as far as the French were concerned. The general ordered his release and he was sent back to Unoccupied France.

After seven months in France this time, Rubenstein came to America where he worked as a diamond cutter until he was inducted from New York City in December, 1942.

New Kinks

Recent Inventions That May Find Places in War

Papoose Case

Quicker and safer handling for wounded and sick men being transferred from shore to ship or otherwise handled in transit is promised under patent No. 2,309,464, issued on a contrivance that looks somewhat like an oversized papoose case.

The patient is first securely wrapped and strapped in warm inner blankets, and then enclosed (except for his face and neck) in an outer case of long wooden slats riveted to straps. Side loops permit carriage like a stretcher, and a ring back of the patient's head provides for hooking onto a derrick, boat davit or other hoisting gear.

New Bullet

Not many of the week's relatively small issue of 539 new patents are on warlike devices. One, however, is worthy of attention: a new way of making armor-piercing bullets with hard steel cores.

As currently made, the pointed steel slug used in such a bullet is forged from the rear into the outer jacket made of softer metal. Sometimes the fit is not too good, and the bullet is consequently likely to stray off its proper trajectory. In the new way, the slug is forced base-first into a hollow cup of the jacket metal, and the open end squeezed down to make a point. This presents a base of uniform metal to the action of the powder.

Cellophane Chute

Small parachutes such as are used for dropping flares are to be made of molded transparent cellulose or rubber sheeting, under a system protected by patent No. 2,309,107. The sheeting is cut in a flat blank, then heat-molded in a hemispherical form. The resultant parachute canopy is seamless, very light and more resistant both to the heat of the flare and to wetting by rain or snow than the paper parachutes now commonly employed.

Gadget

Land planes forced down at sea may now be equipped with a device which automatically opens a hatch, inflates a rubber boat and ejects it, ready for use. A switch is thrown when the plane's belly hits the water. This releases compressed carbon dioxide, which forces open the hatch and inflates the life raft in seven or eight seconds.

Benning Briefs

FORT BENNING, Ga.—The horse and buggy days have returned to this post as a "buckboard" has been resurrected from one-time oblivion and pressed into service at Post Headquarters, as one phase of the "all out" conservation program here to save gas, oil, and rubber.

Brig. Gen. Walter S. Fulton, commanding general of the post, who ordered the buckboard pressed into service, pointed out that he will utilize the vehicle for trips where there is no great rush.

In addition to the horse and buggy, 10 motorcycles have been assigned to post headquarters, relieving several passenger vehicles, which also save gasoline, oil, and rubber.

SOLUTION

When Capt. Robert Montgomery, Co. K, of the newly activated 300th Infantry Regiment, went out to call his new company to attention for the first time, he found a whole platoon that couldn't speak a single word of English.

The platoon consisted of Spanish-speaking soldiers, who hail from deep in the heart of Texas. Captain Montgomery hastily called Lt. Arthur H. Siegel, who has traveled for many years in South and Central America, and speaks Spanish fluently. Thus, while training the men with commands in Spanish, Lieutenant Siegel is also giving the troops lessons in English.

Benning has a unique combination of father and son. Each has been a major. But just recently the son, Maj. James M. Hanley, Jr., was promoted to lieutenant colonel and thus rates a snappy salute from his dad, Maj. J. M. Hanley, Sr.

It pays to become a crack shot rifleman in Headquarters Company of the 11th Armored Regiment, 10th Armored Division:

As a result of dropping their recent sharpshooting contest at Carmouche with the 2nd Platoon, 1st Platoon members had to service their victory steak dinner when the regiment returned to camp AND also do the KP work after the meal.

Hakes Hold Family Reunion at Beale

CAMP BEALE, Calif.—The "Fighting Hakes" held a reunion here recently when Pvt. John L. Hake of the 13th Armored Division was host to his brother, Commander H. F. Hake, USN, and the latter's son, Richard Hake, USA.

It was the first time in nearly seven years that Pvt. Hake had seen his naval officer brother or army officer nephew. Another Hake, Commander Hake's eldest son, Lt. Charles R. Hake, USN, was unable to join his father and brother in the Camp Beale visit.

Candy Takes Long Trip

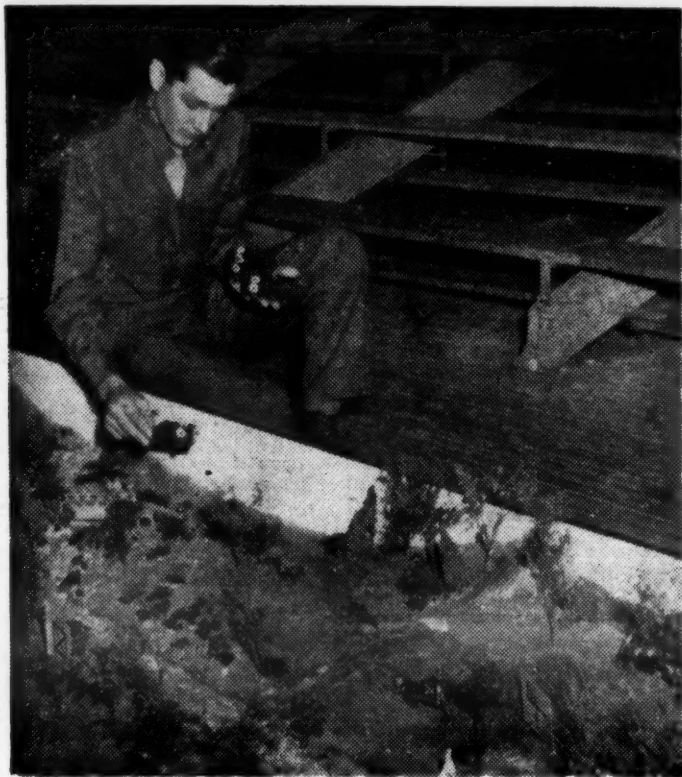
CAMP RUCKER, Ala.—A Camp Rucker engineer, Sgt. Calvert Cole of H & S Company, 336th Engineer Regiment, (G.S.), reports what he believes is a new high in postal persistence.

When the sergeant was serving at Camp Claiborne, La., a kind friend sent him three glass jars of candy. By the time they got to Louisiana, the non-com had come to Camp Rucker as a member of a cadre. Instead of following him, the candy followed his outfit to Camp Kilmer, N. J., from which it was soon sent overseas.

So from Kilmer the candy went to England. Since Cole wasn't in England to receive it, the candy came back to the New Jersey camp.

Then, in another attempt to reach the elusive Sergeant Cole, postal authorities sent the candy back to Louisiana.

After traveling over 10,000 miles, the candy finally reached the sergeant at Camp Rucker. The second wonder to this story is that the glass jars were unbroken on arrival at their final destination.



SGT. Donald Rutledge inspects the tiny figures used in training medical soldiers at Grant.

Scale Model Shows Battlefield As Medics Can Expect to See It

By Pvt. James Brugger
CAMP GRANT, Ill.—Toy soldiers donated by half a hundred kiddies, sumac weeds pulled up in the woods, several bushels of sawdust, a fertile imagination and unlimited patience—these are some of the things that have gone to make the huge medical service demonstration table which will shortly be put into instructional use by the Sixth Medical Training Regiment of Camp Grant.

The table, which takes up a floor space of nine by 38 feet in E. & R. Building No. 2 of the 29th Battalion, gives a figure representation of an entire combat zone, showing all the Medical Department units which accompany an infantry division into battle, from litter bearer squads to a hospital installation.

Complete to the minutest detail—not even the leg splints in the battalion aid stations were neglected—the exhibit is intended to supplement classroom lectures and field demonstrations in showing trainees how the Medical Department operates during battle.

Work on it began more than a month ago when Maj. Milton H. Dresner, Plans and Training officer for the Sixth Regiment, decided a new method, more graphic than any-

thing yet devised, was needed for acquainting medical soldiers with the way their department functions in the field. He chose Capt. A. Myron Lawson, of Company B, 26th Battalion, to "work something out."

"At first we thought an ordinary sand table might do the trick," said Major Dresner, "but it grew and grew until we had this," and he pointed to the giant model, which is a "table" only in name since it sits square on the floor and has no legs.

The exhibit "grew and grew" under the supervision of Captain Lawson and his aide on the project, Sgt. Donald Rutledge. The captain, who is a dentist, and the sergeant, a former commercial artist, applied their varied talents to the job of improving a classroom combat zone.

For the terrain they used a layer of plaster of paris spread over hills and valleys of sawdust, spraying the surface with green paint to represent grass. Highways and streams were painted in and hundreds of weeds, brought from the camp bivouac area, were sprayed with paint and stuck in the "ground" to simulate trees.

With the toy soldier industry closed long ago by metal shortages, the problem of getting figures to

stand for men on the table threatened to put a serious crimp in the project. Captain Lawson got around the difficulty by appealing to a Minneapolis newspaper columnist who was a friend of his. The writer printed a request for old lead soldiers and out of playrooms and attics came enough metal doughboys to equip the demonstration table, with almost a platoon left over.

No detail was too small to be included in the true-to-life exhibit. A branch of the Works Progress Administration located in Rockford helped out by making the tiny ambulances and cargo trucks which will ply over "shuttle" routes to show trainees how patients are evacuated and supplies moved.

"Litters" made of wooden sticks and brown-dyed cloth, three and a half inches long and an inch and a half wide, were also furnished by the WPA, as well as tents used for headquarters locations and an evacuation hospital.

Located in a room which will seat an entire company at one time, the table will play an important part in the instruction of all trainees in the Sixth Regiment. Now near completion, it will be put into use in the near future.

Private Out-Morgans Morgan!



ACTOR Frank Morgan couldn't top the yarn spun by Pvt. Earl Blake Cox, shown on left; Brig. Gen. E. W. Fales, IRTC commander is at the right. Note Morgan's soldier regalia.

By Pfc. Morrie C. Guss
CAMP ROBERTS, Calif.—Hey, Annanias, fall out . . . front and center and meet your GI successor. He's portly, gravel-throated Pvt. Earl Blake Cox, a member of Company D, 81st Infantry Training Battalion, at this Infantry and Field Artillery replacement training center.

Matter of fact, Private Cox is such a terrific yarn spinner that he out-spun the zany tales concocted by eight other yardbirds, and defeated, in the finals, Radio and Movie Actor Frank Morgan, whose crackpot delineations over the etherlanes earn him an annual six-figure salary.

Brainchild of a former Hollywood

press agent, Pvt. Steve Berkeley, Company D, a "Liars' Night" show was staged recently in a battalion recreation hall. Morgan was on hand to participate in the contest. Included in the jam-packed hall were Brig. Gen. Eugene W. Fales, IRTC commander, numerous colonels and majors, captains and shavetails, as well

as about 1000 dogfaces. Standing room was at a premium.

First the soldiers shot the breeze with a galaxy of judges determining audience appreciation by the use of a "fibometer," ingeniously rigged up by three masterminds on the bull gang.

Then Morgan made his unphotogenic entrance, escorted by two MPs. Doffing his custom-tailored clothes for a suit of size 46 fatigues, the silver-haired, mustachioed actor matched wits against each of the "liars." Against every opponent he displayed his extemporaneous fabrications until Private Cox came up to bat.

The hefty Cox came out on the stage dressed in a full "field pack"—exaggerated slightly. He wore a regular field pack plus a footlocker, draped with two barracks bags, plus a large shovel and mess gear.

Cox's story concerned a fishing trip on the Salinas river—dry since prohibition—wherein he teased and finally compromised with a fish. Cox said he had been baiting the fish with his "three-day rations"—which he doesn't carry—when the fish finally gave up and wanted to toss in his fins and call it quits. During the struggle—which forced Cox to change tackle four times—he brought up the fact that he possessed only an "A" card and that transportation was hard to obtain.

Sooo—and this was Cox's tagline—"the fish agreed to take me to Los Angeles if I would let him go free."

Cox's prize was a three-day pass from the post, and he will be a guest in the home of Actor Morgan. He was also given a luck charm—a gift from Morgan, presented by General Fales.

the spent cartridge.

The shell travels slower through the air than a high explosive shell but this is considered an advantage because it enables the gunner and the crew to watch the trajectory.

Right Job, Though

CAMP LIVINGSTON, La.—An unidentified private at the 43rd General Hospital was called on the carpet last week for failing to report for KP.

Investigation showed the wandering GI had been working at his appointed task—but in one of the 14th General Hospital's mess halls.

Real Mortor Shells Used Over and Over

CAMP ROBERTS, Cal. — Actual shells are saved and realism achieved through the use here of a new training aid—an iron projectile for 60 and 81 mm. mortars.

The device has been put into use with excellent results, according to Brig. Gen. Eugene W. Fales, commander of the Infantry Training Replacement Center.

Main advantage of the new projectile, which receives its impetus from a shotgun cartridge at the base, is that it eliminates the "dry run" for trainees. In past days, trainees simulated the use of high explosive projectiles.

The projectiles may be used over and over again, simply by replacing

Kohler Challenges Beale Champions

Army Times Story Prelude to Obstacle Course Duel

CAMP KOHLER, Calif.—When Brig. Gen. S. H. Sherrill, commanding general of the Western Signal Corps Replacement Training Center, read in Army Times that Camp Beale claimed a championship obstacle course team, he wanted to know: "Who says so?"

So General Sherrill challenged the Beale outfit and the challenge was formerly accepted last week in a letter to 2nd Lt. Robert J. Schmitt, Camp Kohler athletic officer.

On Saturday, February 20, picked course team will tangle with the championship outfit from Camp Beale on the Kohler course.

The duel, to climax more than a month of challenges and counter-challenges, will involve five-men teams. There also will be special features between the best men on each side, with the Kohler representatives likely to be S./Sgt. Charles

"Soupy" Campbell. Campbell has hustled over the 450-yard course in 2 minutes, 14.9 seconds, just short of the record; he also holds the existing mark at Fort Monmouth, N. J.

The Kohler record is 2:10, held by Pvt. Cruz Lopez, who has since been transferred.

Members of the Camp Kohler team will be chosen from the regular squad, although changes may be made in view of inter-company races, expected to uncover some new talent.

Included on the regular team are Sergeant Campbell, Sgt. Roy Van Gundy and Pvts. Francis Gebbink, Felix Cintron, Roland Early, Robert Edwards, Lawrence Oldag, Charles Dorniak, Decidero Valdez, Gilbert Day, Vern LaCross, Frank Sedgmore, John Campbell, Paul Strange, Norman Yockell and Gaspar Apodaca.

The Camp Beale outfit will hold one trial run over the Kohler course previous to the big day.

'Woody' Wins Big Fight Never to Fight Again

By Ray Langin

CANAL ZONE—The fist career of Claude "Woody" Woodcock, well known in Army boxing circles here in the Canal Zone and in the States, is at an end.

Woody recently won his greatest battle—a fight for his life. But a medical officer was the referee in this contest, and the final verdict was that Woody must hang up his gloves for good.

The game little fighter, who participated in several of the most thrilling fights in Army boxing tournaments here, recently spent two months in a plaster cast after a bad truck accident which occurred after Woody had won two fights in the 1942 Panama Canal Department Boxing Tourney.

Woodcock lost two fights since his appearance two years ago on the local fight scene. One of these was a four-round decision to Johnny Revolta. The other he lost by a technical knockout to Bill Mastrangelo at the end of the fifth of a sensational fight. In 1941 he won the Atlantic Side lightweight title and was one of the outstanding fighters of the tournament but failed to make the Atlantic Side team in the Department finals. That was the closest he ever came to winning the Department championship. He was well on his way this year, however, when the accident ended his bid for the title and caused his retirement.

Woody was one of the hardest punchers local boxing fans have ever seen. Fighting from the port side, his powerful punch was apt to end a fight at any time. His appearance on any card always assured fans of at least one action-filled fight.

Major on KP

CAMP CROWDER, Mo.—Nobody lifts an eyebrow in Company C of the 38th Signal Training Battalion when a private casually remarks: "I'm going to a movie tonight with Major Jensen," or "Major Jensen will loan you his jacket," or "Major Jensen sleeps in the bunk next to mine."

In fact, Major Jensen has to stand reveille in the morning with all the other members of Company C and he has to do KP and guard duty, too.

Pvt. Major J. Jensen is one of the new arrivals in the unit.

Night and Day Meet At Sioux Falls

SIOUX FALLS, S. D.—Night met Day here recently, but only for a short time. The members of the famous radio comedy team, separated by the draft, held a brief reunion at the Sioux Falls Technical School last week and swapped some of the usual brand of humor which brought them fame over their home town station, WHOX, Knoxville, Tenn.

Pvt. John S. Collins (night) was being shipped when his former partner of nine months, Pvt. Wallace Gregory (day), arrived.

PEANUT BUTTER is popular in both England and Russia which have purchased more than 200,000,000 pounds under lend-lease.

Use of 'Bishop Trainer' Saves Time, Materiel



THIS miniature village will be the target for 309th Field Artillery, 78th Infantry Division, gunner on the "Bishop Trainer" range in use at Camp Butner, N. C. Towering over the village is Lt. Col. Azel E. Hatch, 309th Artillery commanding officer.

—Photo by Cpl. Charles A. Sullivan

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—Sgt. Joseph W. Price fired his artillery piece and watched.

"Wow! I got her," he ejaculated as the entire tank of a water tower, struck by a cannon missile, quivered on its well-constructed foundation and fell to the ground.

"Good firing," exclaimed Lt. Col. Azel E. Hatch, commander of the 309th FA Battalion of the 78th "Lightning" Division, from his observer's post. The cannon was about 75 yards away from the target, and the observer's station was between the two. It all happened on the battalion training grounds at Camp Butner.

The reason why no one was hurt by falling fragments, or why you didn't read in the papers about the destruction of a mammoth water tank in North Carolina is because the structure which the cannon's missile toppled over was a miniature tower, built to the scale of one inch to every 100 inches.

Tom Thumb ammunition was fired from a Tom Thumb cannon into a Tom Thumb village, with houses, rivers, churches, bridges, telephone poles, mills and warehouses—the dream of a city planner, built exactly to scale. When some soldier walks out to pick up the fallen tower he looks like some great new Gulliver trudging over the land of Lilliput.

"Ugly Duckling"

The artillery men and officers are employing this, the Bishop Trainer, to perfect their aim and observation of gunfire.

Capt. Charles H. R. Lyon, com-

mander of the HQ Battery of the 309th Artillery, explained the workings of the trainer. Brig. Gen. A. Franklin Kibler, well-known to the cannoners as the Division Artillery commander, played a large part in its development.

"The Bishop Trainer," he explained, "is an ugly duckling sub-caliber gun used for training in the conduct of observed fires. This trainer affords the officers a chance to brush up on their procedure, sequence of commands, sensings and thus save many rounds of ammunition."

"Their posture and self-reliance will improve, junior officers will lose their 'buck fever' and units will attend service practice assured of success, no waste of time or rounds and therefore obtain higher efficiency."

The Trainer Battery consists of four guns plus the necessary tools and equipment to keep these guns operating. The ammunition that played havoc with the tiny village was a one-inch steel ball bearing. The propelling charge was a .22 caliber blank.

Laid on Level

The range of fire is laid on level ground 90 yards long and 50 yards wide.

"On the terrain the builders let their imagination run wild," Captain Lyons commented. "They built rolling hills, sharp cliffs, woodlands, rivers, roads, cross-roads, gun positions and houses."

"Remembering that the trainer will be constantly used; we used all possible forms, shapes and variations of terrain—natural and man-made characteristics that will later be met by the military man in actual combat."

The construction, he modestly described, was "elementary," gravel roads, strips of tin for railroads, painted cans for water towers, wooden blocks cut and painted for any type of house.

The targets are frequently shifted. Houses, water towers and churches are moved, so that the student doesn't always fire at the same locality. Also the guns are not always registered on the same basepoint.

"The scale of one inch to 100 inches is horizontal and, of course, vertical," explained Captain Lyons. "Now this poses something of a problem. If you were to observe from the standing position at the guns your height of six feet gives you what amounts to aerial observation from a height of 600 feet."

To offset this unwarranted advantage, the observer must take to the ground to observe. The only practical solution to this problem is to dig pits for those conducting fire. These pits must satisfy several conditions. First of all, the observer's eye level should not be more than six inches to a foot above the ground

level. This corresponds to having the observation point on a hill of 50 to 100 feet, which is about all that one should hope for in normal conditions.

Four in Pits

"Furthermore, the pits should be dug to accommodate four people, but not more than six. Room must be provided for the battery commander, the telephone operator, the recorder, and the S-3, or plans and training officer."

"If you get more than four people in the dugout those at the opposite ends of the bench will see a different picture of where the 'shell' hit and the surrounding terrain. Five pits are dug, so that the observers can be trained in watching the fire from various angles."

As in the battlefield, wire communication is employed. Wires from the pits to the gunner's position are connected by the means of miniature telephone poles about six inches off the ground. In the gunners' areas they are buried so the gunners won't trip over them.

Soldiers are detailed like caddies on the golf course after a firing period. They must go out to the "village" and pick up the cannon balls which lie like golf balls in the streets, roads, rivers and hills of the target area.

Dust Spots Shot

Also, when they leave they must replace their "divots" and bury their footprints. A track the size of a GI shoe in a beautiful group of rolling hills would be entirely unnatural

and unesthetic.

On a dry day, when a ball hits the ground a cloud of dust rises, simulating the smoke from a bursting shell. It moves away more rapidly than smoke, however, thus providing excellent observation practice by the officers, who must judge in a split second where it landed, and not depend too much on the smoke it issues.

"Operation of the trainer is simple," Captain Lyons explained. "Two men can handle the battery with ease. A telephone operator may be added, and a switchboard operator will be used if the battery is broken down to represent a battalion. Also, there are two ball boys who retrieve the balls."

"It's true that considerable time must be spent on the proper installation of the trainer range. An accurate estimate would be 1000 man hours. Twenty intelligent, interested men who have some initiative are required for five days."

"However, the work is not specialized, and basic labor well directed will do the job. The cost is infinitesimal compared to the gain of a most valuable training aid. Lumber can be obtained from the artillery range; nails from any good supply sergeant. Wire and ammunition are GI products, and the friend of the officer in the post engineer's unit can obtain some cement. Cost items include about \$5 worth of paint and \$2 worth of tar paper. Enterprise and initiative are free."

It's a Dog Life Clinic Saves Canine Pets at Shelby

By Pvt. Jack Gormley

CAMP SHELBY, Miss.—Sick call is from 3 to 5 p. m. daily and 9 to 11 a. m. on Sundays. In addition, someone waits up all night in case you come in late. However, if in time no one calls for you, you are taken out into the boiler room, a clip is attached to you, and you are electrocuted.

That's part of a dog's life at Camp

General Waits For 'Annette'

WITH AMERICAN FORCES IN TUNISIA.—The general didn't salute, but he was quite willing to admit that he was outranked.

In an Army cook shack the general was sipping a cup of coffee when Pvt. George Neiberger, 37, asked:

"General, do you mind finishing your coffee outside? Annette wants to come in."

"Who is Annette?" asked the surprised officer.

"She's my little black hen," Neiberger explained soberly. "Every morning she comes in here and lays an egg. She usually gets here at 9:30 on the dot each morning and finishes up by 10. But she's bashful and won't operate if anyone stays in the cook shack with her."

So the general and the private shivered together in the cold outside while Annette did her bit for the U. S. Army.

Shelby.

It's known as the Dog Clinic. Established by Lt. Col. Redding S. Sugg, chief of the veterinarian service branch, about the middle of October, its primary function is the care of dogs of military personnel, particularly when a dog-owning soldier is on furlough.

When a sick canine is brought in, either by the owner or by an MP who picks it up as a stray, a medical diagnosis is made. If the animal suffers from rabies, parasites, or requires immunization against distemper, treatment is given. No operations are performed, however.

Electrocution takes place only if there is absolutely nothing else that can be done. It does not occur very often.

Since dogs may be brought in at any time, one of the enlisted men attached to the Veterinarian Office is on the job all night.

Kennels were built outside the Vet Office in October and since then the harmonious songs of the four-footed beasts have rent the air

'Square Hole

FORT RILEY, Kan.—A recent demonstration in night observation tactics here called for an officer to smoke a cigarette to show the clarity of small points of light visible at varied distances.

Capt. Frank H. Hughes was assigned to the task. He is the only officer in his department who does not smoke.

around the building night and day.

The dog clinic is only a sideline of Lieutenant Colonel Sugg and the Veterinarian Service Branch, however. Most of their work involves inspection of all dairy and animal-origin products entering Camp Shelby.

Part of the 12-man enlisted staff peer through microscopes in the Vet lab at the station hospital, analyzing for excess bacteria milk daily entering the camp, and the rest work in the cold storage plant, checking meat, cheese and like products.

In addition, the Vet office trains meatcutters when the Cooks and Bakers School needs assistance.

Not much time hangs heavily on their hands.

Stewart Regiment, Battalion Praised for Bond Purchases

CAMP STEWART, Ga.—The commanding general of the Anti-aircraft Artillery Training Center today commended an entire regiment an anti-aircraft battalion for 100 per cent purchase of War Bonds.

Recipients of the general's praise were the 90th C.A. (AA), a colored anti-aircraft regiment; and the 536th Anti-aircraft Battalion. Col. Paul French commands the 90th. Lt. Col. John H. Brubaker commands the 536th.

This 100 per cent in bond purchases means that more than 2,000 soldiers have subscribed to allotments for a minimum of one \$25 War Bond. Many of them, including officers of the units, have subscribed to more than one bond.

The general's commendation said,

in part: "The esprit demonstrated by this patriotic gesture is of the type I desire in each unit under my command. It is a thorough demonstration of complete devotion to duty and to country."

Trophy Given in Luke Field Safety Campaign

LUKE FIELD, Ariz.—As a part of a new safety program at Luke Field, Col. Ross G. Hoyt, commandant, is initiating the practice of presenting a trophy to the flying sections that have had the lowest accident rate.

The trophy is a bent propeller mounted on polished wood. Colonel Hoyt, through a system of check piloting with trainees has reduced the accident rate 75 per cent.

3 Kohler Captains Stick Together

CAMP KOHLER, Calif.—Three of five captains at the Western Signal Corps Replacement Training Center at Camp Kohler, who are slated to go to Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kans., this week, have been together since the inception of their military careers.

The "three musketeers" are Capt. P. D. Hansen, assistant inspector; Capt. C. A. Kelly, executive officer of the 5th Battalion, and Capt. R. W. Long, executive officer of the Motor Transport Branch.

Capt. E. L. Eggman, Company A, 1st Battalion, and Capt. L. P. Kane, executive officer of the 2nd Battalion,

will go to Fort Leavenworth with them.

Captains Hansen, Kelly, and Long entered Federal service in Sacramento on the same day, Nov. 25, 1940, with the 102nd Radio Intelligence Company. They went to Fort Ord, Calif., at the same time, and together, applied for officers' training.

On July 1, 1941, they became members of the first Officer Candidate School class at Fort Monmouth, N. J. They graduated and, on Oct. 1, 1941, were assigned at Fort Monmouth, Captain Kelley to basic school of the SCRTC, and Captains Long and Hansen as adjutants.

December 27, 1941, the trio landed at Camp Crowder, Mo., still in their respective capacities. All were promoted to the rank of 1st lieutenant on March 1, 1942.

The fates that were working to keep them together sent them "back home" in a body. They came to Camp Kohler on Aug. 11, 1942.

As if their service records had been glued together, they obtained their commissions as captains on the same day—Nov. 9, 1942.

Coincidence seems to follow them, not only things military but in more personal affairs. All three were married within a period of two weeks.



IT WAS Miss Ann Keller of Detroit at the time her fiance, Sgt. Morris Cohen of Company L, 322nd Infantry, Wildcat Division, submitted her photograph in the Camp Rucker, Ala., beauty contest. Miss Keller left her home for the camp before knowing of her selection by the contest committee, and upon arrival agreed to give her hand in marriage to Sergeant Cohen. Later she was feted by the 81st Division and a dance was held in her honor at the field house on the post. Here she is shown with Col. B. W. Venable, left, commanding officer of the 322nd Infantry, and Maj. Ernest H. Wilson, commanding officer of the 3rd Battalion, 322nd Infantry, which staged a dinner for the young woman.

Riley Private Tops at Chess

FORT WILEY, Kans. — Men of Troop D, 5th Training Squadron at the CRTC, nominate Pvt. Douglas Segard as the most unusual avocationist at this station.

A steeplejack by trade, Pvt. Segard, by devoting his spare time to analytical study became 10th ranking chess player in the country in 1936.

You've probably never seen his name in the sports pages, since chess isn't a major sport, but in the realm of the "pastime of kings," Segard is a big leaguer. In 1932, he was crowned the chess champ of Wisconsin, and held that title for four years.

When he was 9 years old, his father began teaching him the game, and when he consistently beat the senior Segard, he took up the game seriously. For five years he taught chess and contract bridge for the Milwaukee, Wis., School Board. At his advanced strategy sessions at the Racine, Wis., Chess Club, he demonstrated his prowess by playing each of the 28 members simultaneously, and winning all 28 games.

Band Concert Precedes Chapel at Bainbridge

BAINBRIDGE, Ga.—An effort to create closer relationship between the post chapel and the military personnel at the Bainbridge Army Air Field, a new program, preliminary to the regular Protestant Sunday morning service is now being held in the flag pole area of the post. The program, which gets underway at 9:30, consists of a 15-minute band concert, presented by the post band.

Immediately following the Sunday morning preliminary program the squadrons marched their men to the service. The new set up is entirely voluntary. The men are not compelled to attend. On the first Sunday of each month a Christian flag will be presented to the squadron with the largest percentage of men attending the service the month previous.

At exhibitions, besides playing as many as 30 games at once, he put on blindfold contests to add zest to the occasion.

Although Segard gave only his spare time to the game, he managed to gross around \$500 a year from exhibitions and tournaments.

"Because of the time necessary to devote to the game," Segard said, "chess is best suited to bachelors—or people with a lot of time on their hands." Before that, he had played as many as 17 hours in a single game. (It ended in a draw.) An

average contest between two first-rate players lasts anywhere from three to five hours.

To stay in top form, a chess player must devote many hours to studying tactics as described by master chessmen of other years, as well as constant playing. Segard has over 45 books on advanced chess. The game as a tactical operation doesn't differ much from war. Before entering the cavalry, Segard had a chess motto, culled from a military byword, "Get thar fustest with the mostest." It still applies.

Barkeley Blasts

CAMP BARKELEY, Tex.—Acting Sgt. Ben Torguson's eyes must have bulged the other day when a 39-year old trainee made application for an allotment of pay to his "38-year-old mother"! It happened in Co. B, 65th Bn., MRTC. The trainee, from New York, presented an affidavit which swore his mother was 38. Torguson was about ready to swear, too, but not to an affidavit.

The document will be returned to New York for correction. It turns out that the trainee's mother is 71 years of age.

OPPORTUNIST

While custom has it that members of newly-graduated MRTC Medical Administrative Corps officers are supposed to present the first enlisted man to salute them with a green-back, Cpl. Bruce Batte stretched the point a bit the other day.

Corporal Batte received a telegram over the phone from Washington, D. C. The message was for Pvt. Mervin G. Smith. When Smith came into the office, Corporal walked up to him, saluted, held out his hand

for a dollar, and informed Smith that he had been commissioned a 1st lieutenant in the Veterinary Corps. Lieutenant Smith left for Fort Sam Houston, Tex.

Members of the tenth Medical Administrative Corps' Officer Candidate School Class could well be called "The Avengers". The class, now completing the second month of training, opened December 7—the first anniversary of Pearl Harbor.

Speaking of monickers, handles, cognomens, or whatever you want to call 'em, Co. A, 59th Bn., MRTC, really has 'em. A new group of trainees arrived in the company last week—most of them from Mississippi and Missouri. A look at the company roster is enough to "make with the puns".

There's Stamper and Walker, Joe Fly, a Brewer and a Cook, a Cloud and a Turnipseed (C. D. Turnipseed, to be exact), Spotts and Walls, Gordon Told, Charlie Law, William Swisher, Frank Hanger—Louis Lovitt!

Then there's an Ogle, Lincoln Street, Frank Speed, Fred Bust, Leslie Steed, Gearle Walks, a Rennicuff and a Caballero.

To top it all, there are two guys by the name of Zbylut—Walter and Stanley, both come from the same town—but are not related.

Brothers Hold a 'Big' Meeting at Livingston

CAMP LIVINGSTON, La.—The Brothers Mann met in Camp Livingston last week after eight years and gave each other a big surprise—with the accent on the "big."

Pvt. Al Mann of Headquarters Detachment, in civilian life wandered about the country running concessions at the big fairs, including those at San Francisco, Chicago and New York.

M/Sgt. Edward Mann of the 3d Signal Lab., settled in Hollywood where he was employed as a film cutter.

The brothers, as brothers will,

neglected their correspondence, and neither knew much of the affairs of the other. Al entered the Army eight months ago, Ed enlisted about a month ago.

Last week a mutual friend discovered Edward was at Livingston and brought the brothers together. Neither recognized the other, for the Brothers Mann had lived well in the intervening years.

Each had gained 80 pounds. Al, who is 28 years old, now weighs 220 pounds and Ed, 30 years old, weighs 20 pounds less.

It was a "big" surprise all around.

McClellan IRTC Blasts

FORT MCCLELLAN, Ala.—The visit of Brig. Gen. Floyd R. Parks, chief of staff of the Army Ground Forces, to the IRTC takes top billing in the News of the Week from IRTC.

General Parks, who is making an inspection tour of combat divisions, came here primarily to look over the 92nd Division but took the opportunity during his one-day stay to scan the activity of the training center also.

Touring the training areas with Brig. Gen. Wallace C. Philoon, IRTC commander, the visitor evinced a keen interest in all that he saw, frequently halting the motorcade to dismount and inspect at closer range some phase of the training.

What he saw must have pleased and impressed him for on all sides were husky, healthy men hard at work learning the age-old art of soldiering.

On the roads he passed long lines of marching soldiers—marching and singing. On the drill fields he saw men, who only a few weeks ago were farmers or factory workers, clerks or businessmen, marching with a precision which would do justice to a West Pointer.

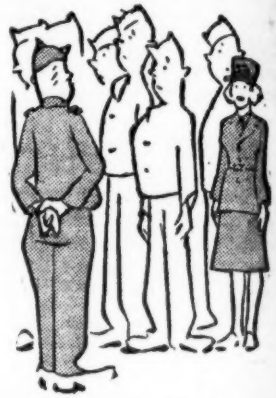
This week all officers and enlisted personnel of the Headquarters Companies of IRTC embarked upon a strenuous daily calisthenics drill program. Thus the men who do the office work, who "cut" the red tape, will keep physically fit, like their comrades in the field, so that when the day comes for them to get out from behind their desks and shoulder a gun again, they'll be ready, willing and able.

Here at the IRTC, as at every other training camp in America, the Army is fast replacing its male office personnel with WAAC's or men who are physically unable to get into combat outfits. In addition to the daily calisthenics drill, the office workers each week will make a hike and run over the obstacle courses to round out a program designed to keep them rugged and ready for field duty.

Seven top-notch vaudeville teams, fresh from New York successes will come to Fort McClellan for a two-night stand Feb. 14 and 15 when USO Camp Shows presents "Show Time At the Roxy." The show will be presented at the Collin Kelley theatre. Among the acts in the

show are the Three Reddingtons, comedy and acrobatic trampoline stunts; Bert Lynn, performing on steel guitar, ukelele and banjo. "Show Time" is the fifth presentation of the winter circuit, USO Camp Shows, and is offered free to Fort personnel and guests.

When 1st Sgt. Hirschberger, Company A, 14th Battalion, looked over his roster of new trainees he wondered if the WAACS had started



infiltration tactics into his outfit. There was a Patsy Papa, Gayla Grammar, Vivian Harris, and Frances Tally.

It was 3 a.m. and Pvt. Kenneth Frederick, who plays the role of Lieutenant DuBarry in the Private Murphy humor skit presented on McClellan Marchtime broadcast each week over Station WHMA, was hastening towards his hutment. From the darkness a voice rang out:

"Halt! Who goes there?"

It was the routine challenge of the Interior Guard and Private Frederick, who is attached to the IRTC Special Service Office, came back with the usual answer, identifying himself by rank and organization.

"Pass, Lieutenant DuBarry," retorted the guard.

"Police up" that back-ache inducing task of removing debris from the company area isn't the "to-be-avoided" detail to Pvt. John B. Brown of Co. B, Sixth Battalion, that it is to his fellow trainees. Private Brown is a graduate of Penn State College—with a B.S. in horticulture—and he combines the task of searching for match sticks, cigarette butts, papers, etc., with a mind-broadening study of the flora and fauna growth in his company area. Maybe someday the fauna growth at McClellan will form the thesis for his doctorate. But Private Brown is one of the few soldiers who find "police up" detail beneficial.

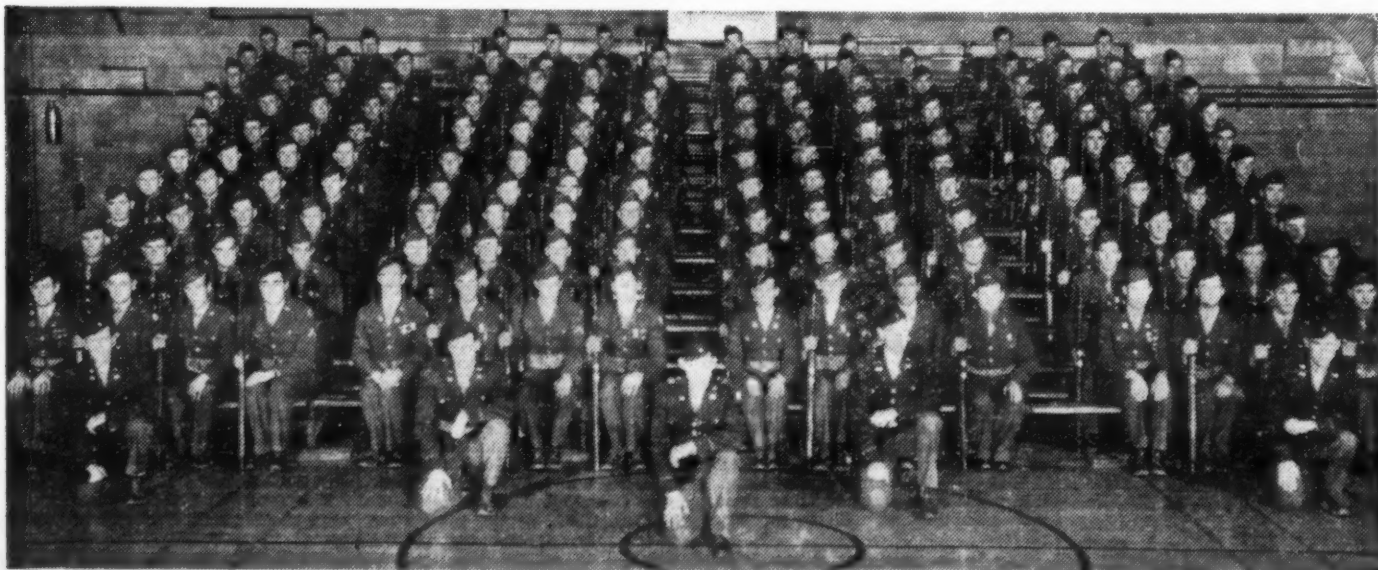
Men of the IRTC will again be in the front ranks when Birmingham citizenry marches in the March of Dimes Saturday night to aid President Roosevelt's Infantile Paralysis Foundation fund.

Half a hundred of the most talented actors, singers and entertainers in the IRTC will go to that city to take part in the huge civic program at the Temple Theater. They will present an "Extravaganza" show as the IRTC's contribution to the fund. At the same time, thousands of IRTC soldiers will make their own individual monetary contribution to the fund.

It's not new for the IRTC to get behind a civic drive such as this. When the Alabama War Chest Drive was launched the IRTC undertook its own campaign and contributed \$36,000 to the state War Chest. It also contributed a sizeable sum, nearly \$3,000, to the Anniston Community Chest.

One man should be able to recognize a general when he sees one is Pvt. Hyman Freedman of Company B, 7th Battalion. Before entering the Army, he was a specialist on Army and Navy braid.

THREE TYPES of paint have been invented to prevent ice from forming on warplane wings: One contains oil, one salt, and the other can be heated electrically.

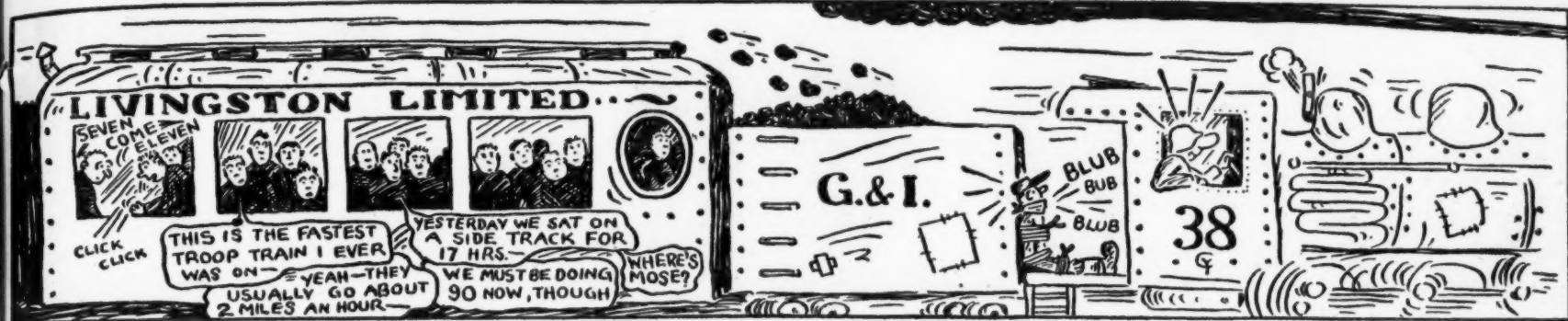


HERE is Company A of the 32nd Battalion, the first company in the Engineer Replacement Training Center at Fort Wood, Mo., ever to report a perfect qualification score of 100 per cent in rifle marksmanship. Twelve of the 16 platoons in the battalion turned in 100 per cent scores to give the unit a remarkable score of 97.98 per cent and win the coveted ERTC rifle marksmanship award, presentation of which is scheduled soon. Capt. George T. Gould (center foreground) is commander of Company A. Platoon leaders are (left to right) Lt. Homer S. Teall, Lt. Donald G. Gondolfi, Lt. John R. Klug and Lt. Ira G. Kinder. Maj. Walter S. Mask is battalion commander.

CYCLONE MOSE

The Engineer

By Pfc. Grover Page, Jr.,
Camp Livingston, La.



25 Million in Government Insurance Sold at Riley

FORT RILEY, Kans.—Almost \$25,000,000 of government life insurance was sold to the men of the 9th Armored Division since the drive was started on Nov. 19, Lt. James K. McLenman, Division Insurance Officer, announced.

The largest per capita gains were registered by Headquarters Company, Division Trains, with an increase of \$31,000 per man, Service Company, 9th Armored Division with \$3,056 per man and the 52nd Armored Infantry Regiment with \$3,015 per man.

The Army Quiz

If you miss more than six of these, don't volunteer for KP duty. We did not do so well, either, and we wrote the quiz.

1. Anti-tetanus shots were made compulsory in the U. S. Army after their value was proved conclusively by—
A. The Battle of Dunkirk.
B. Army doctors at Armored Force Medical Research Laboratory, Fort Knox, Ky., in 1924.
C. Study of records of soldiers in the first World War.
2. What proportion of officers now serving in the Army have come up from the ranks?
1/10 1/3 3/4
3. Army engineers recently replaced their standard aluminum boats used in making temporary bridges with inflatable rubber pontoons. Chief among the reasons for this change was the fact that—
A. The new pontoons could be more easily launched.
B. They thereby saved rubber.
C. Aluminum is a critical material needed in building airplanes.
4. First anti-aircraft gun was not invented and used in battle until 1914, more than 10 years after the Wright Brothers flew at Kitty Hawk, N. C.
True False
5. Average soldiers eat — food as the average civilian.
A. Three-fourths as much.
B. The same amount of.
C. Twice as much.
6. Added to the WAACS, WAVES, and WAFS is the latest alphabetical service unit, the WIRES, who are—
A. Women's International Reserve Entertainment Service—a group of Hollywood and Broadway actresses who organized a theater unit offering to go abroad.
B. Women in Radio and Electrical Service—civil service appointees being trained by the Army to replace men as instructors and technicians.
C. WAVES in Reserve for Enlisted Service—the reserve corps of the Navy's WAVES, formed because too many women wanted to enlist.

Randy Allen

By Sgt. A. J. Abruzzo,
Fort Knox, Ky.

FIRST THEY STUCK A GUN IN MY RIBS AND THEN THEY STARTED TO SEARCH ME...THEY SEEMED TO KNOW THAT I WAS CARRYING MESSAGES!!

AND THAT GYPSY WOMAN WAS A LOOKOUT

SHE WARNED US NOT TO GO DOWN THE ALLEY... YOU'RE RIGHT, ALGIE. THESE GOONS HAVE BEEN READING OUR MAIL AND PASSING THE INFO ON TO THE HIGHER UPS...

BLIMEY, NOW IT STARTS TO MAKE SENSE

LISTEN, BUD, YOU'D BETTER DELIVER THE MESSAGE AND THEN REPORT IMMEDIATELY TO THE COMPANY COMMANDER AND TELL HIM YOUR TALE OF WOE.

THAT WON'T DO MUCH GOOD... THEY KNOW ALL ABOUT THE GYPSY BUT SHE'S BEEN TOO CLEVER... AS FAR AS THEY KNOW THE ROBBERIES ARE STRICTLY FOR CASH.

WHAT THE... WHEN DID SHE GET HERE?

ABOUT HALF WAY THRU THE ACT... I FOLLOWED YOU... NICE GOIN' WHEN YOU CONKED THE BIG GUY AND LEFT HIM WITH HIS NOGIN' GROGGIN'!

YOU SOUND LIKE AN AMERICAN

CAROL KEMP BY NAME...

I'VE SEEN MISS KEMP AROUND TOWN

I DON'T THINK IT WILL BE TOO PAINFUL TO LEAVE YOU ALONE... DUTY CALLS YOU KNOW... AND YOU TWO SHOULD HAVE LOADS TO TALK ABOUT...

THERE GOES THE AMERICAN WHO DENTED YOUR THICK SKULL...

I'LL SAY

YOU SEEM TO KNOW QUITE A BIT ABOUT WHAT'S GOING ON

I SHOULD... I'M A REPORTER... YOU BOYS MAKE THE MUSIC AND I WRITE THE WORDS

I WAS FOLLOWING THE GYPSY WOMAN WHEN I STUMBLED ONTO YOUR SHOW WITH THAT BIG LUG... HE'S ONE OF HER PALS

IT'S MY GUESS THAT THEY TELL INFORMATION TO SOME BIG SHOT, WHO RELAYS IT TO THE ENEMY

MEANWHILE

FOOLS... IDIOTS... CHILDREN OF STUPIDITY... THE AMERICAN ONES ARE PLANNING AN IMPORTANT MOVE AND YOU FAIL ME...

BUT I TRIED TO STOP THEM

FORTUNATELY OUR OTHER PLANS CAN NOT FAIL... THERE WILL BE A SUPPLY SHIPMENT TONIGHT

AS HE SPEAKS

BOMBS!

HURRY, RANDY, FOLLOW ME!!

7. A man who fails to report for induction when ordered to do so by his draft board may be prosecuted by an Army court martial as a deserter.
True False

8. Balloons were first used in warfare by—
A. The citizen army during the French Revolution.
B. The British in the Battle of Waterloo.
C. Union forces in the Civil War.

9. Which of these numbers comes closest to the number of planes built in the United States in 1942?
14,000 25,000 49,000
50,000 75,000

10. In World War I, the army which was called the "Steam Roller" was the—
A. American.
B. British Colonial.
C. Chinese.
D. Russian.
(Answers on Page 16.)

I'VE KICKED JIMMY OFF MY LIST

WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH JIMMY?

AW, HE ALWAYS STOPS HERE AFTER SCHOOL

ANYONE COLA SOLD HERE

OH!

SO TOMMY'S HEAD MAN NOW—HE TAKES ME HERE!

ROYAL CROWN COLA SOLD HERE

THAT'S SUPER! ROYAL CROWN IS BEST BY TASTE-TEST

ANNA NEAGLE SAYS:

IT WON MY TASTE-TEST EARLY

Beautiful Anna Neagle tasted leading colas in unlabeled paper cups and voted Royal Crown Cola best-tasting. From coast to coast it has won the same title in 8 out of 8 group taste-tests. Try Royal Crown Cola today.

ROYAL CROWN COLA

Best by Taste-Test

NOT ONE BUT TWO FULL GLASSES

5¢

Olds Wants Planes To Warlike Limited

Would Give Long Range Aircraft to Non-aggressors Only

FORT GEORGE WRIGHT, Wash.—The right to build long-range aircraft, "which could come like lightning, without warning, and set off another world conflagration," should be granted only to countries whose histories prove they are nonaggressive, Maj. Gen. Robert Olds declared this week.

America can claim such a history, said the general, who as command-

ing officer of the Second Air Force, has the responsibility of training crews for heavy-bombardment Army planes.

Asserting that the peace, to be enduring, must be "an enforced peace," General Olds in an interview called for the establishment after the war of military air patrols to protect world-wide air commerce.

The general cited an ever-present future danger from long-range aircraft unless measures were taken to prevent their construction in territorially ambitious countries.

"The over-all picture to date indicates fairly conclusively that little or no military action on the sea or on the ground is possible without having been preceded by very powerful and definite application of air power," he said. "Long-range airplanes constitute a constant threat to the nations desiring peace if owned or maintained in quantity by nations having territorially aggressive tendencies."

General Olds asserted that any peace conference must consider which nations have had the most peaceful existence because of national policy, which have constantly sought to control more territory, and which would always seek more territory because of economic or industrial conditions "which limit somewhat their ideas of normal life."

Devens Digest

FORT DEVENS, Mass.—In the first troop-train movement of its kind in the country, 212 WAACS still in civilian attire, entrained here last week for the WAAC training station at Daytona Beach, Fla.

All New England girls, the group was brought here for an inspection of the WAAC section and their noon day meal in the WAAC mess hall before boarding the train in the afternoon for the trip southward.

Lt. William Gorfinkle, graduate of M.I.T., has been appointed Post Chemical Warfare Officer, replacing Capt. Carl R. Fellers, who left on an unannounced assignment.

This week saw the 101st Cavalry Regiment celebrate its second and begin its third year of active service. The regiment is now fully motorized.

A definite plentitude—in place of wartime shortage—of lovely, young ladies here at the Fort was evidenced last week when Miss Ruth Robinson, senior hostess at the Service Club, estimated that more than 100,000 girls have attended dances and functions held here over the past 22 months.

A man from wars is Pfc. Samuel McDaniel of the 115th Station Hospital, who has seen service in three wars.

McDaniel served in Mexico with the 13th Cavalry in 1916 and '17, and during the last war served overseas with the 5th Division and saw action on three fronts—St. Die, Forges and St. Mihiel, later serving with the Army of Occupation. This trip he was inducted into the Army on Nov. 16, 1942.

Here's the latest post candidate for the soldier with the shortest name—Ernest E. Ek. He's in the RRC.

Roberts Roundup

By Pfc. Morris C. Guss

SARGE DITTO—There is a sarge in Co. D, 78th Inf. Tng. Bn., who takes a terrific ribbing. His name is Sgt. Frank P. Sarge. Hardest thing for him to determine is just how much respect and courtesy his trainees have in their voices when they address him as "Sarge."

FEARED THUGS—Privates of the guard have been known to do strange things, but Pvt. Alfred Towner, trainee in Co. D, 79th Inf. Tng. Bn., pulled a new one recently. Just before going on his post he gave his wallet containing four bucks, all his worldly goods, to the corporal of the guard to hold for him until his shift was over. His explanation: He was afraid of being held up and robbed while out there alone on his post.

PETE REPEATS—Prior to his induction, Pvt. Pete Ladjimi contributed \$250 to a California camp for entertainment of soldiers, withdrew most of his savings from the bank to purchase war bonds. Then he was drafted. Second day in Camp Roberts he purchased an additional \$3200 in bonds. Following his assignment to Co. B 84th Inf. Tng. Bn., his buddies got the lowdown on the phlegmatic, studious-appearing soldier. Pete has spent seven years with the French Foreign Legion. While a member of that adventurous army, he was decorated with the Order of the Purple Heart, the Iron Cross and the Croix de Guerre. "It's great to be a buck private again," Pete remarks.

'Queenie', 'Streen' and 'Strahn' Aim to Blast Axis Planes

FORT SHERIDAN, Ill.—When the men of the Antiaircraft Artillery Training Center here go into action, "Queenie" and "Sunsetter" will be rattling out a deadly message in lead.

Like famous guns in history that have won the affection of artillerymen, many of the guns at Fort Sheridan are named. Brig. Gen. LaRue Stuart, commanding general of the training center, approves heartily and says that the artillerymen's custom of naming guns is indicative of good spirit and interest.

Aim to Sink Sun

Trickiest name, with an eye to sinking the rising sun of Japan, is "Sunsetter," commanded by Sgt. Paul Tevlin. Other guns in the same battery are Sgt. Carl Wright's "Luft-waffe," Sgt. Howard Russell's "Axis Headache," and Sgt. Bruce Crispell's "Mussolini Terror."

Keep Twins Together Stimson Requests Army

CAMP CAMPBELL, Ky.—Good news for the two sets of twins at Camp Campbell is the recent order from the Secretary of War directing that as far as possible twins will be assigned to the same unit, organization, or station, if they so desire.

The privates Herkimer of Headquarters Section, 1580th Service Unit, and the Wood twins of the 27th Field Hospital are now pretty sure they'll be with their respective brothers for the duration.



RETURNING from troop train duty to his barrack in Co. C of the 4th Regiment at Fort Warren, Wyo., this week, Sgt. Lawrence Gales was puzzled to find all the cots, like Navy hammocks, suspended from the ceiling. Capt. Charles B. Hatlen, regimental supply officer, explained to him that all bunks will be treated likewise from now on. It's an idea of Col. H. B. Crowell, commander of the first brigade of the QMRTC, to provide more space for instructional purposes in the barracks. Lt. Col. Joseph M. Williams, commanding the 4th Regiment, has ordered the move to be made throughout his outfit.

"Queenie" is the name painted on the gun manned by Sgt. Malcolm Cooper and his crew, because they are constantly humming the words of the popular song, "Queenie, Queen of Them All."

Gun commanders come in for a share of glory. Named exclusively for the nicknames of gun commanders are "Tab's Tiger," after Sgt. Anthony Taraborelli, "Mac's Menace," after Sgt. Robert MacDivitt, "Kid's Killer," after Sgt. Rosario (Kid) Enrigo, and "Scottie," after Scottish Sgt. Tom Clasper.

Some guns are named for illusive reasons. "Streen, Strahn, Freen and Frahn," are rapid firing double-talking machine guns commanded by Sgt. Louis Intoccia. It doesn't look like much in writing, but in double talk, he says, they "Streen over the strahn in the freen and frahn yesterday."

No Whammies

Sgt. Nolan Hudson's gun is named "Old Faithful" because of the absence of whammies, the artillerymen's version of the pesky gremlin, in and about the mechanism.

Girl friends and wives of gunners are not neglected. Sgt. Henry Potok's gun is named for his wife, Dotie. Sgt. Harry Smith named his "Lottie" to rhyme. Sgt. James Williams named his "Molly," after a girl. Sgt. George Auditors calls his "Polly," to rhyme. "Polly" doesn't say "Polly wants a cracker," though. "When in a talkative mood it bellows, 'Polly wants a crack at Hitler,' he says.

Sgt. William Hiltgen's gun "Sally,"

is named after Lucille O'Hair of the Salvation Army USO in nearby Highwood. Sergeant Hiltgen says, "No task is too great or too small for her if it makes some soldier happy. It is named in appreciation for everything she has done for the soldiers at Fort Sheridan."

Air Transport Command Soldiers Get Around

CAMP STEWARD, Ga.—Cpl. Harry R. Cottrell Jr., 19 years old, has covered 70,000 miles over a large part of the earth since last August 1 as a radio operator and gunner in the Air Transport Command.

His most vivid experience, he recalled on a brief visit with his father at Camp Stewart, was a boa constrictor that invaded the ramp of the airfield at Georgetown, Dutch Guiana, and had to be killed.

His father is First Lt. Harry P. Cottrell, Post Theatre and Athletic Officer.

Two Crowder Officers Share Inventor Prize

CAMP CROWDER, Mo.—Capt. Charles J. Schuauers and Lt. James E. Potts, Signal Corps, both of the 113th Signal Radio Intelligence Co., have been informed they won third place in a national competition for radio inventions conducted by Radio News magazine.

All inventions deemed worthy of consideration are sent to the National Inventors' Council, Washington, D. C.



WHEN the girl trumpeter of Ada Leonard's band suddenly became ill during a performance for the Victory Division at Camp Cooke, Calif., a soldier stepped in to take her place. He was Staff Sgt. Kenneth Slazbrunn, who plays in the "Strong Arm" Regiment's band, and was with Jackie Heller's orch before coming into the service. The arrow will help you locate him, if you're having trouble.

Oats and Bolts From CRTC

By Trooper-Snoopers

CRTC, FORT RILEY, Kan.—Conservation is the watchword among troopers at the CRTC. Even old tooth brushes are being used. Weapons Dept. is calling at all troops to collect old brushes to be used for cleaning rifles and pistols. Onward, men—this war will not be won over a wash-basin! Give your worn-out tooth brushes for the cause!

WANTED

What goes on at the Station Hospital Lab? We see by the bulletin that they are in need of "several cats". They neglected to state whether they wanted the "hep" variety. If so, we can send them a couple of jitterbugs who probably belong over there, anyway.

DITTY

In the last war, the popular song of the AEF was "Mademoiselle from Armentieres". In this one, according to reports from our spies, the boys in Africa give out with "Dirty Gertie from Bizerte," as they roll along over the desert.

G. I.

CRTC sleuths have found the bona fide "G. I. Joe". He's George Illium—initials, "G.I." Not a square from Delaware, he hails from New York. "Government issue, that's me," says G.I. Another Hq Troop "sad sack", overhearing him, piped, "Don't blame it on the government."

S. S.

Rumblings and clatterings come from the direction of the Special Service Office, including much activity going on there. With Lt. Gerald Preshaw, Sgt. Scott Watson, Cpl. Eddie Herzog and Pvt. Frederick Bradlee deep in the problems and headaches of the Entertainment Dept., and a couple of dozen boxers working out every afternoon with Lt. O'Jibway, Sgt. Joe L. Barrow, Pfc. Sid Marks, Sgt. Leo Stangel, to say nothing of the quietly efficient Cpl. Everett Roubesh, jumping from typewriter to piano several times a day—the din in the place begins to resemble a quiet afternoon on the rifle range. Two shows are in the making, a musical and a drama, concerts are being planned, and boxing shows are underway.

Pvt. Joseph A. Clark of Motors got a letter from home, which said in part: "We hope that you have now learned to get up punctually every morning so that you don't keep the whole company waiting for breakfast." We hope so, too. We're sure Private Clark wouldn't want to keep his barracks-mates waiting for chow, especially his first sergeant.

RELIEVED

Pvt. Arnold Jacobs, C-2, approached his topkick looking rather worried.

"If you please, sir," he said in a small, nervous voice, "What does this AUS mean after my name?"

"That stands for the Army of the United States."

"Whew!" whistled the rookie. "I thought it stood for Australia!"

TOO MUCH

We have been called a lot of things in our time, as Army public relations men, it seems there are many more terms we could answer to.

According to our trusty thesaurus, as reporters, we could also be summoned by the following array of names: Journalist (sic), newspaperman, registrar, messenger, recorder, newsmonger, gossip, quidnunc, gossip, tattler, busybody, talebearer, scandal-monger, telltale, informer, chatterer, narrator, recounter, reciter, and announcer.

WERE SPEECHLESS

Pvt. Richard Finder had his friends slightly mystified when he wrote telling them he had received "a housewife" for Christmas. In reply to curious letters, he explained that "a housewife," in Army parlance, is a soldier's sewing kit.

THREAT?

A certain Corporal Jones got the willies as he was gargling a cup of coffee in the Service Club one morning this week. The kitchen phone rang, and was answered by the cook on duty. She came swinging out into the dining room, brandishing two large carving knives she happened to be sharpening, and called in a loud, clear voice, "Is Corporal Jones in the dining room?"

A private sitting nearby exclaimed, "You don't expect him to answer when you're hold those meat-hackers, do you?"

The cook returned to the kitchen, got rid of the knives, and came back. She got her man the second time.

SPORTS
CHAT

CAMP LEE, Va.—The 8th Regiment's two former European boxing champions battled only 500 in the recent Golden Gloves fights at Camp Lee. Francesco Montanari, former 147-pound titlist of Italy, Spain, Austria and France, took the 155-pound crown. However, Italo Colonello, former heavyweight champion of France, was unsuccessful in his bid for Camp Lee heavyweight honors.

McCHORD FIELD, Wash.—Last summer an all-star girls' team invaded McChord Field to take on the air corps team. In one play, Virginia Heaton, first baseman for the visitors, slammed into Cpl. Al Suggs and knocked him flat in a close play at first base; now she's got him cold! They talked things over after the collision, and have been ever since—they were married recently.

McCLELLAN FIELD, Calif.—McClellan Field's soldier baseball squad hit its stride recently and handed the depot supply nine, champions of the American division of the Sacramento Winter League for the 1942-43 season, a 10-4 drubbing. Unique feature of the defeat was the fact that the leading hitter for the winners, Bill Schmidt, with three hits in four times at bat, is ordinarily the star pitcher for his team.

MATHER FIELD, Calif.—After four consecutive victories, Mather Field's golf team finally went down in defeat. Victors were the Del Paso County Club stars, who won 12-9 in a match decided on the final foursome.

DUNCAN FIELD, Tex.—Lt. Norbert C. Zabel, the 12th Air Depot Group's fighting chaplain, recently knocked Tillie "Kid" Herman, who trained Jack Dempsey for 17 years, for a loop. That in itself might be a distinction, but Lieutenant Zabel weighs 140 pounds and Herman tips the scales at 200. Herman was knocked down and had his upper plate broken on the punch from the chaplain.

ARLINGTON, Va.—William H. "Red" Friessell, nationally known football official, has been sworn into the Army as a lieutenant colonel and reported for active duty with the director of purchases division at Arlington, Va. Friessell, central figure in the celebrated "fifth down" game between Dartmouth and Cornell in 1940. He gave up football officiating in 1941 after receiving a broken leg refereeing a Philadelphia-Brooklyn professional game.

FORT BENNING, Ga.—Adrian Talley, former star and captain of the University of Southern California's track team, is now running for his gold bars at Fort Benning. Talley was anchor man for the 440-yard sprint relay team that holds the world record of 40.5 seconds. He was also a sprinter of no little fame.

CAMP KOHLER, Calif.—Pvt. A. K. Mehta, 42-year-old Moslem stationed at Camp Kohler, is one of India's outstanding athletes. Mehta holds the all-India 3,000 meter cycling record and was a star in track and field while attending Allgarh University. He came to the U. S. in 1939.

FORT EUSTIS, Va.—Pvt. James T. Hearn, one of the starters on Fort Eustis' rapidly-improving basketball team, is under contract to the St. Louis Cardinals. He was signed while playing with an Atlanta, Ga., team. He was farmed out with Houston last spring and ended up with Columbus, Ga., where he won 11 games as a pitcher. He also plays third base and shortstop.

CAMP CROWDER, Mo.—The University of Kansas Jayhawks had been undefeated in 12 games prior to its recent meeting with Camp Crowder. The Crowder team pulled a big upset by knocking off Phog Allen's Big Six leaders, 35-31. Earlier, in the season, Kansas had thrashed Crowder, 57 to 28. Each team made only six points in the entire second half of the game.



WORLD'S Light Heavyweight Wrestling Champion Billy Raburn, left, pinned Sgt. Eddie Williams in a title match at Camp Crowder, Mo., last week. It was Raburn's second defense of the title against

Williams in three weeks. Their first match took place on January 3. Williams conceded the first fall after 17 minutes when he was unable to break Raburn's hammerlock. Williams won the second fall in 3:35, and Raburn used a crab-

hold to win the third fall in 8:18 and retain the crown. Shown above are A. O. Bedford, center, Raburn's manager, displaying Billy's championship belt; and Lt. William F. Krickham, Jr., CSCTC athletic officer at Camp Crowder.

'Bananas' Bonura Inspires Army Athletes with Big League Talk

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—"Zeke" Bonura, erstwhile headline name in the baseball world and now a seasoned soldier of nearly two years experience, is spending time in Company D of the 309th Infantry of the 78th "Lightning" Division, giving the soldiers inside dope on big league baseball and enthusiastically boosting Army athletics.

The baseball sports writers used to call him "Bananas Zeke," but the Army knows him as Cpl. Henry Bonura. The corporal rating was earned at Camp Shelby, Miss., where he was athletic director for 16 months.

Played at Shelby

At 34, Bonura still looks like a big leaguer. He played baseball at Camp Shelby and feels as if he could do justice to a uniform in the major leagues.

"Say, corporal, tell us how to hit home runs . . . How about the Sox this year? . . . Who's the Giant's best pitching bet? . . . What do you think of that Cub infield? . . . What about 'dem Bums'?"

This is a sample of the battery of queries which Bonura must meet daily. And, he meets them just as he met the offerings of the best pitchers in the American League in 1937, when he topped the loop in batting.

Then, he will throw in a plug for Army athletics, gained from his experience as maestro of the sporting arenas at Camp Shelby.

Sports Aids Army

"You can't imagine the real benefits of athletics for trainees," he declared. "Games like baseball and basketball make a soldier think quicker and act with more precision than he ever used before. It keeps him busy, and builds the body."

"Athletics also develop cooperation and self-sacrifice. Many's the time

I've seen soldiers show up for a basketball game after marching 15 or 20 miles a day. They knew their team was scheduled to play. They wouldn't let their men down, even if they were all tuckered out. They would appear, no matter how tired, and play a darn good game.

"That's the spirit that makes good soldiers."

Corporal Bonura said many of the men he had coached in baseball and basketball as soldiers had gone far in the Army.

His Record

To those who don't know Bonura's record backwards, he began with New Orleans in the Southern Association, moved over to Dallas in the Texas League and finally landed with the White Sox in 1934. In 1939 he went to the Washington Senators. He changed in 1939 to the National League, joining the New York Giants. In 1941 he landed with the Chicago Cubs.

His best batting average was in 1937, when he hit .347. His batting average during his entire big league career was .321.

"My average in 1937 should have been better than that," he explained. "If I hadn't sprained my ankle stealing home in a crucial game against the Yankees. I was leading the league then, and the injury put me out for a time."

"It was worth it—that stealing home—for it happened in a 15-inning game and boosted us ahead of the Yankees, who were battling it out with us for the league lead. Too bad we couldn't have held first place."

Bonura led the American League in fielding in 1937 and 1938. He was a first baseman.

Organized Leagues

At Camp Shelby he organized a basketball league with 205 teams taking part. Also, his baseball league

included 67 uniformed baseball teams.

He was player manager of the Camp baseball team. In form as first baseman, he piloted the club through 36 straight victories. He also played basketball and coached a camp boxing team which won three out of the four matches in which it participated.

Army to Buy Most New Baseballs

The Army will get most of those new "duration" baseballs which have the regulation skin of horsehide but the heart of golf ball.

The WPB has announced that 720,000 of them will be made and the War Department will probably buy all but about 120,000.

When the government put a ban on the use of cork as the center of baseballs, manufacturers began looking around for a substitute. The government had already put an absolute ban on the use of rubber thread in golf balls, which left the golf ball manufacturers with 720,000 of the rubber "pills" for the insides left over.

One enterprising manufacturer tried using these rubber "pills" in place of the regulation cork for baseballs and found they worked. WPB says they are "equal to pre-war cork-cushioned center baseballs."

The major leagues won't use any of the new rubber-center balls because they are believed to have an adequate supply on hand for 1943.

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Gowdy Returns to Benning ---And to Gowdy Field

FORT BENNING, Ga.—Hank Gowdy, one of big league baseball's most legendary figures and coach of the Cincinnati Reds for the past several years, arrived at Fort Benning this week to assume duties with The Infantry School as a special service officer. Now a captain in the Army, the famous player and coach returned to the Army post which many years ago named its baseball park in honor of his exploits in World War I.

When the United States went to war in 1917, Gowdy was one of the best catchers in big league baseball. But then, as now, the tall athlete was eager to serve, and he became the first major league ball-

player to enlist in the Army during World War I.

Rising to the rank of sergeant, Hank Gowdy, served valiantly overseas, and then returned to big time baseball after the war. He continued playing for many years with several teams in the National League and then turned to coaching where he established quite a reputation for his ability in developing young pitchers.

Gowdy Field at Benning, the large baseball diamond with permanent grandstand, was named after Hank Gowdy, because post authorities at the time felt the park should be named after an enlisted man.



NEW commander of the Ordnance RTC at Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Md., is Brig. Gen. Donald Armstrong. He knows plenty about tanks. For the past five months he has been chief of the tank-automotive center at Detroit. Previously, he had been commanding officer of the Chicago Ordnance District.

Longhorn Lampoon

CAMP EDWARDS, Mass.—Marking a 6-month K. P. marathon here is Pvt. R. H. Compt, 11th Medical Battalion, who explains that he prefers the job. A farmer-rancher, Compt owns some 10,000 acres of land, 3000 head of "white-face" cattle, 100 hogs, and four tractors. He had nothing to do with sheep until he started shoving platters of Army lamb under his hungry buddies' noses.

MUNCH, CRUNCH

When the all-36th Division talent show, "The Khaki Parade," was staged in the Buzzards Bay U. S. O. recently, stern-faced Pfc. Raymond Horton walked up to the mike, holding a lighted 125-watt bulb, said he was going to eat it.

"No; surely he won't do that," a feminine voice in the audience gasped, but the lad took the bulb out of its socket, placed it in a cloth sack, gently broke the bulb, and proceeded to eat fragments of the shell. Taking on a "yum-yum" look, Horton sprinkled some salt on the fragile glass, continued crunching away. The 142nd Infantryman explained that he prefers red light bulbs because they taste something like strawberries.

His opinion of Army chow: "It's pretty good!"

MAIL POUCH

A letter received here was addressed to a private in care of "Bayonet Practice, Camp Edwards." Another was addressed to a "MRS." in the 143rd Infantry. The return notation said, "We have no record of HER." Mail clerks of the 143rd Infantry handled 3200 insured packages for a 30-day period during the Christmas season.

WAR'S END

Drivers of the 36th Division headquarters' transportation section claim that one of their fellow men knows just when the war will end—but won't tell. He's little "Acting Peefee" Alfonso de Lonso, dog mascot who seems to know everything.

Claiborne Theaters Draw Million Plus

CAMP CLAIBORNE, La.—More than one million troops were entertained at Camp Claiborne theaters during 1942, according to an announcement by the camp theater officer, Lt. George J. Pozzini. The number of tickets sold for the period ending Dec. 31 was 1,161,306.

Claiborne theatre operations for the year also revealed the following statistical information: Number feet of film per night, 96,000; number feet of film per week, 696,000; number feet of film per year, 36,192,000; number miles of film per year, 6,854. This line of film is equivalent to the distance from San Francisco, Calif., to Paris, France.

The latest reports on the opening of the four new War Department Theaters at Claiborne seems to indicate that the new amusement centers will be opened in about two weeks.

Practice Helps

FORT BENNING, Ga.—The proverb that a "soldier fights on his stomach" was more truth than poetry one night in Columbus, Ga.

A group of soldiers from the 10th Armored Division were in a popular restaurant and ordered French fried potatoes.

"We can't fill your order," the waitress replied, "we haven't anyone to peel them."

"What are we waiting for?" the doughboys asked.

To the kitchen they went, putting their KP experience to good advantage.

Soldier's Middle Initials Stand for Doctor's Name

CAMP CROWDER, Mo.—If he's curious, when a new soldier sees the cryptic "NMI" behind someone's name on Army records for the first time, he learns it merely signifies "No middle initial."

But S/Sgt. Curtis R. B. Burton, acting first sergeant of Company I of the 800th Signal Training Regiment, has no middle name though he has two middle initials. The "R" and the "B" do not stand for anything. They are the initials of the Dr. Yates who attended his mother at his birth in Meridian, Miss., 34 years ago.

Add to Horrors of War

CAMP BEALE, Calif.—Add Pvt. James Price of the 13th Armored Division to the obstacle course casualty list. He was bitten by a dog while running the course.

Fort Sillables

FORT SILL, Okla. — "America's World Task" was discussed by three prominent clergymen at the Field Artillery Replacement Training Center of Fort Sill this week in four sessions of a three-day meeting at this huge Field Artillery post under the auspices of the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

Winning the war, the peace and then achieving the brotherhood of man afterwards was advocated by the three speakers, the Rev. Michael J. Ahern, S.J., of Weston, Mass.; Rabbi Julian Feibelman, New Orleans, and Chaplain (Col.) Ora J. Cohee, chief of chaplains, 8th Service Command, Dallas.

INDIANA NITE

Messages from Gov. Henry F. Schricker, Wedell Willkie, who recalled training at Fort Sill in World War I, and Manpower Commissioner Paul V. McNutt greeted more than 1000 Hoosier officers and enlisted men who celebrated "Indiana Nite" here this week at a nearby USO Club.

Prizes were given to the three organizations having the largest turnouts of Indians in the form of footballs sent for the occasion by Notre Dame, Purdue and Indiana Universities.

U. S. PITCHER

After several years in big league baseball, Pvt. Euel ("Chief") Moore, former hurler for the Philadelphia Phils and the New York Giants, knows how to get in there and pitch—but now it's for Uncle Sam at the Fort Sill Replacement Center.

The big twirler arrived here this week for his basic training and hopes to resume mound duties as a soldier-pitcher if the arm injury which forced him out of the big time mends sufficiently. Moore tolled for the Phils in 1934, 1936 and 1937 with 1935 being spent at the Polo Grounds.

PASS THE GROCERIES

In their first six weeks of training, 100 men in a battery of the Replacement Center here gained 1,111 pounds, convincing proof that Army "chow" really does the job.

These soldiers, in Battery C of the 30th Battalion, had a "controlled" athletic program of softball and volleyball tournaments and plenty of nourishing food. The net result: an average gain of 11 pounds per man in a month and a half—and it's all muscle.

CZECH-AMERICAN

In a short space of five years, Pvt. (Dr.) Abraham H. Ludmer shifted from the job of teaching economics in a Prague college to the Replacement Center at Fort Sill for basic training. The 35-year-old economics professor was an infantry lieutenant in the Czech army. He speaks Czech, Slovakian, Italian and German, has a doctorate from the University of Prague and a master's degree from Missouri University.

Benning Doubles Sale Of Army Insurance

FORT BENNING, Ga.—The percentage of soldiers at this Army post making allotments for government life insurance during the past three months has skyrocketed 100 per cent. It was disclosed today, as troops heeded the pleas of Secretary of War Stimson to invest in the protection.

The War Department, currently urging soldiers to purchase government insurance, has launched a concerted drive to encourage troops to buy the insurance before they arrive at a staging area or port of embarkation.

Brig. Gen. Walter S. Fulton, commanding general of Fort Benning, revealed that during the past three months the percentage of soldiers making allotments for insurance has jumped from 43 per cent to 85 per cent, leaving only 15 per cent of the personnel at the post still unprotected by insurance.

"Our insurance drive will continue," General Fulton observed, "until we have canvassed every unit on the post and have urged each individual soldier not protected now to invest in the insurance."

Maj. J. Russell Lowe, of the Insurance Section, the Adjutant General's Office in the War Department, is visiting the camp this week, pointing out to soldiers that they should think about buying government war risk insurance before your foot is on the gangplank.

"None of the private insurance companies can hope to match what the government is offering soldiers," Major Lowe pointed out. "It is practically a gift. Uncle Sam is willing to bet his soldiers \$10,000 against \$7 that they will live another month. These odds are terrific, considering the bet holds good even in combat."

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Punny Story

FORT BENNING, Ga.—Sgt. Richard Gates, a red-haired assistant in the operations section of the 10th Armored Division, has a wicked flair for puns, but he swears that the following is true. It seems that there is a Chinese soldier—a private—at a nearby camp who has been misclassified. At present, the Chinese soldier is driving a truck. Sgt. Gates believes that the man should be reclassified into Military Intelligence. The reason: The soldier's name is Gee Too.

Prepare Camp Show

CAMP MAXEY, Tex.—Taft Gilbert, who wrote the script for the film "The Road to Morocco," and William H. Mende, basso-profundo, who has appeared in a number of New York stage productions, including the Radio City Music Hall, are writing a stage play on a bond buying theme for production in a camp theater here with soldier talent.

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Japs Flops with Bayonet, Use Wooden Bullets, Colonel Says

Take it from an American Army officer just back from the thick of the fighting on Guadalcanal and New Guinea, the Jap doesn't like steel.

The American soldier outflights the Jap with the bayonet and can knock him in any hand-to-hand combat job," said Col. Russell P. Reeder, an infantry officer and former West Point football star, back in Washington on detached duty following a special observation detail in the Southwest Pacific.

"The Jap snipers have been over-emphasized," said Colonel Reeder. "In the first place, they aren't good

rifleman, though their .25 caliber has been taught to spread a lot of lead around in the general direction of the enemy. He has more nuisance value than anything else."

Little Attention Paid

Colonel Reeder explained he has been with a group of American officers in the steaming Guadalcanal jungle in range of Jap snipers. "They paid little attention to the snipers," he said. "They sent their own counter-rifleman out with orders to locate the snipers and then forgot them."

"But the snipers have the value of keeping our men under cover. They

gun is excellent. The Jap sniper hide up in a coconut tree, or in banyan roots with a little peep hole and fire away. When our men go past them they pop up in the rear. They're hard to see."

One of the things our boys definitely must learn to do better than the Jap is to use local camouflage. I don't mean simply to stick a leaf in their helmet or use a green netting. They must learn to use palm leaves, and plenty of the local vegetation. The Jap is wonderful at concealment."

Colonel Reeder disclosed that the Japs on Guadalcanal have been using wooden bullets. "It will kill only at a few yards. So they use them at, say, 15 or 20 yards, against our men from the rear, after our forward patrols have gone past them. "The bullet won't carry very far, so there isn't much danger of hitting their own men."

Much of the fighting on Guadalcanal and New Guinea has been so close that hand grenades have been the favored weapons.

"Our American boys, taught to throw a baseball, have become pretty good with the hand grenade," said Colonel Reeder. "Most of the fighting in the jungles down there is at ranges of less than 100 yards."

"We are up against a bunch of pros," Colonel Reeder declared. They have been at this thing a long time. As amateurs we are behind. But we're learning. And soon you'll see the amateur lick the pro. In fact it's already being done."

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Music Soothes Daily Toil Of Campbell Engineers

CAMP CAMPBELL, Ky.—Music's

the thing in one of the engineer units stationed at this post. Stirring military airs wake the men up in the morning, dinner music helps them digest their food, and lullabies put them to sleep at night, all over a public address system the engineers rigged up themselves.

Instead of a single bugler calling all men for reveille, a loudspeaker in each barracks begins softly, and then by degrees grows louder and louder, playing marches and national songs. The company commander finds that his men get up singing instead of groaning.

Then, at meal times, a loudspeaker in the mess hall helps down that plateful of vegetables and meat to the accompaniment of Strauss waltzes or a quartet by Haydn.

In the evening, at lights out, soft, soothing music lulls the men to sleep, making sure they get the rest they'll need for the next day's work.

Concerts are given, too, especially on Sunday afternoons, when several hundred men of the company turn out to hear the music of old and modern composers. This in itself was a goal for the construction of the public address system. For many men it was the first time in weeks that they had heard the music of the world's great artists.

Sill Boxers Prove Potent

FORT SILL, Okla.—Led by three state champions, the 18th FA boxing team here is proving itself the class of central and southwestern Oklahoma and is gunning for the Oklahoma Golden Gloves championship in the tournament which opens at Oklahoma City Monday.

Eight straight team victories, including two over the Norman Naval Base and two over a combined team from Cameron College and the Fort Sill Indian School have given the state notice that the Cannoniers will be hard to beat in the championship competition.

Sheppard Field, Tex., the 167th Infantry of the Dixie Division, and a team of Oklahoma City amateurs have felt the sting of the Fort Sill gloves. In a recent Golden Gloves preview at Oklahoma City, the 18th won seven out of 12 bouts against the best boxers from Oklahoma City, Blackwell and the Norman Naval Base.

Billy Tiger, three-time state Golden Gloves champion and current state AAU welterweight champion, has returned to the lightweight division, and is leading the 18th parade.

price for concluding prematurely that military necessity had ended. As Ambassador Grew only last week said, the treacherous nature of our present enemies will make a correct determination of this question very important. The President, as commander-in-chief, will have to determine it, and he will certainly resolve it upon the basis of the peculiar facts that exist at the time in any particular theatre.

But when military necessity no longer exists, the Army must lay aside the reins of government, handing them over to an American or allied civil government which, in turn, will govern until a treaty of peace is made. For example, in the occupation of our part of the Rhineland after the last war, American military government lasted from December, 1918, until January, 1920, when the Army turned the government over to the Inter-Allied High Commission, a civilian agency, which continued in authority until the area was returned to German control.

But when the Army gives up its temporary control, the duties then to be assumed by the succeeding civilian agency will be on a much greater scale and probably of much longer duration. For it is then that civil authority must take on the burden of helping the crushed and dispirited peoples re-create their world or, we hope, a better one.

The preparation for occupation, however, whether it be the temporary agency, must be substantially the same.

It is the duty of the occupying authority, whether military or civilian, to preserve, so far as possible, the local institutions, laws, and customs of the occupied region. Military government and the succeeding civilian authority are, therefore, in a sense, superimposed upon the existing local structure and seek to shape the latter to the military and political exigencies of the occupation.

Hence, if the job is to be well done, those charged with its execution must have a knowledge of the institutions, customs, economy, and psychology of the occupied area and must also be prepared to supervise or to function throughout the field of public administration. This is a complicated undertaking, calling for a large number of professional skills.

Military Government

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which is military government at home, would have to be set up.

Under these circumstances, the Army must assume control and restore stability and order. This must be done, partly because the civilian population of the occupied territory would otherwise lapse into anarchy. It, however, economic dislocation and civilian distress were the sole considerations, a civil government might possibly serve.

But, above everything else, the Army's lines of communication must be kept open and the military situation preserved. Yet the forces of the defeated army may be in the next province or even just over the next mountain range, preparing to resume the struggle. The civilian population may be contemplating all sorts of sabotage or attempting to give aid to their own defeated forces. Military necessity, therefore, demands that the conquering army be in complete control. The control that it thus assumes is what we know as "military government."

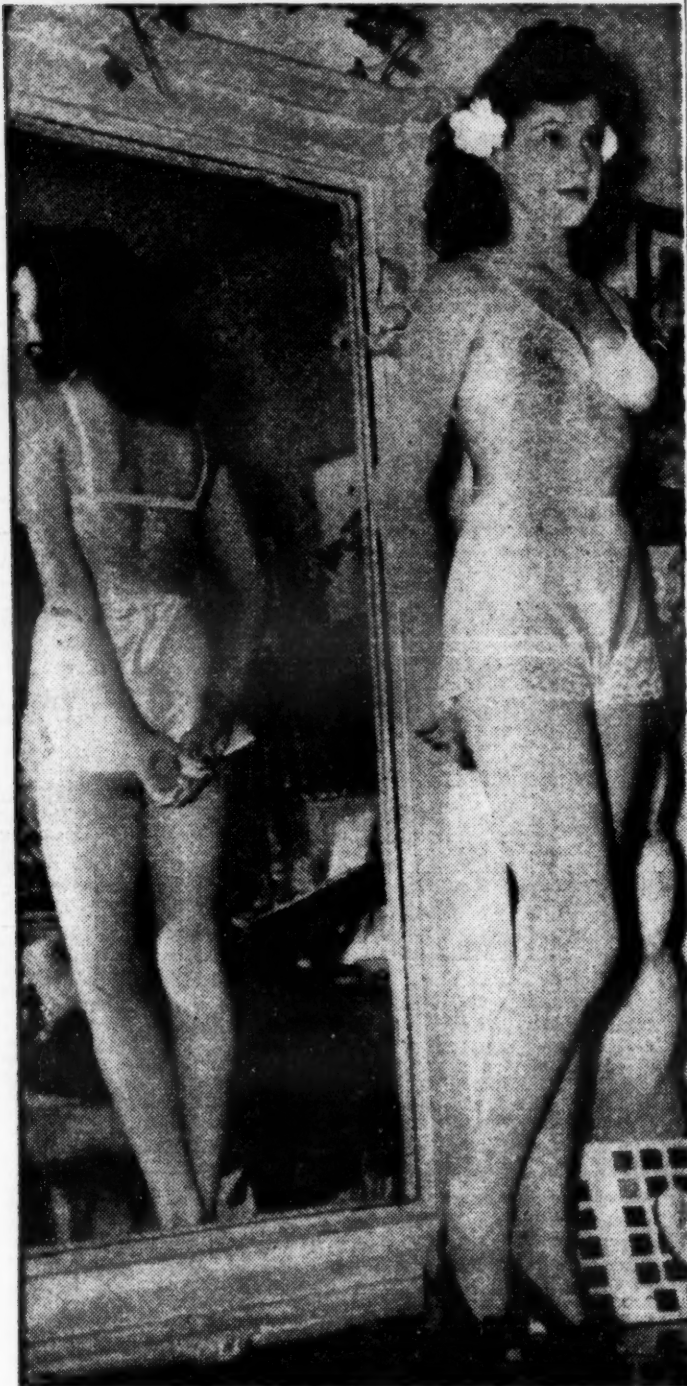
It is one of those inescapable incidents of warfare, completely sanctioned by international law, that no victorious army can avoid even if it would.

Summarizing, its purposes are first, to safeguard the army to maintain a favorable military situation, and second, to preserve law and order among the civilian population. It must lay the groundwork for the eventual restoration of the area and, in the meanwhile, render assistance to its people in such emergency matters as food, medical supplies and sanitation.

How long should it continue? Unless we invite disaster, it must continue so long as military necessity exists. No rule of thumb can fix its termination.

Justinian's general, Belisarius, one of the three or four superlative captains in the world's history, after subduing Libya and Italy, was recalled to Constantinople. A civil governor replaced Belisarius. But in a few years Justinian had to send Belisarius back to Africa, and later to Italy, to make his conquests all over again. The premature establishment of a civil government had undone his work.

In the past, outstandingly in the Philippines after the Spanish-American War, we, ourselves, paid a heavy



PAT Starling, Hollywood starlet, posed for this picture unaware there was a mirror behind her. Which is no reflection on Pat's figure.

Lucky Stiff

Mal Used to Shoot Stars

CAMP LIVINGSTON, La.—Turn your head just a bit more, Miss Lamour. Here, let me straighten that hair with a pat. That's it. OK, give me a great big smile."

That was Sgt. Malcolm Bulloch, 28, of the Fourth Signal Laboratory in civilian life; the "man who photographed more stars than there are in heaven;" the man who had the job you'd like to have.

Movie Photog

For Mal was a portrait photographer at Paramount studios before he enlisted last September. All day long he was cooped up in his picture gallery shooting pictures of Dorothy Lamour, Veronica Lake, Patricia Morrison, Barbara Stanwyck, Claudette Colbert and a host of other Hollywood honeys.

His photographs are the one's you see in the magazine, newspapers and advertising posters. Chances are you have one of his works decorating your foot locker.

Mal is a medium-built lad with a pleasant, freckled face, blue eyes and an easy-going disposition. He has a good word for movie actors and actresses, with whom he's worked at his sometimes trying job. Listen:

"The great majority of movie actresses are easy to work with," said Mal. "They realize you are doing your best and they figure you know the job."

Liked Dottie

"I worked with Dorothy Lamour from the time she came to Hollywood. If everyone was like her this would be a swell world. She's pleasant and very thoughtful."

"She's a regular girl. And it's a tough job, posing for those portrait pictures. Sometimes we take as many as 150 shots a day. That's tedious work. Try it yourself. I'll bet you're a nervous wreck by noon and will be snapping the ears off everybody in sight by mid-afternoon."

"Miss Lamour takes the business in stride, makes a suggestion here and there and is pleasant as can be

when the day is done."

Sergeant Bulloch continued with his pleasant memories.

"I worked a couple of times with Barbara Stanwyck. First time I worked with her I ended up by getting sick toward the end of the picture. During the time I was laid up she telephoned daily to ask my progress and even sent little gifts."

Meet Again

"It was two years before we met again. Then, I was launched inside the camera hood and she came in to pose for a picture with Joel McCrea. I gave some instructions and, although she couldn't see my face, she

recognized my voice! She yelled, "Mal," and came over to greet me like a long lost pal. What a memory she was."

"Working with Bob Hope and Bing Crosby is rather hectic. They are always on the move and we have trouble getting them together long enough to take a picture."

"But when they do get around they accomplish an awful lot in a short space of time. They can think up gags for pictures as fast as we can shoot them. They are just as funny off the screen as they are on."

It must be an awfully long and drab war for Sergeant Bulloch.

First Guard House 'Guest' Built It

MERCED, Calif.—Robert Ripley, please note—the man who built the guard house for the Merced Army Flying School turned himself in as its first prisoner immediately upon completion.

Howard L. Bowen, worked for three months as a civilian carpenter on the flying school's guard house before revealing to post Army authorities that he was an Army deserter from Texas, and two hours later became guard house guest number one.

Brother AM Students Take Two Top Honors

WALNUT RIDGE, Ark.—Believing in keeping it in the family, Pvt. Jesse B. Kirby and Robert F. Kirby took top honors in the recently graduated class of 25 mechanics who satisfactorily completed the airplane and engine mechanic school course at the Walnut Ridge Basic Flying School.

QM Adopts Team Training At New Vancouver Center

VANCOUVER, Wash.—Cities of Vancouver and Portland just getting used to the dramatic maneuvers of shipbuilding Kaiser are today poised for another epic plunge into the arming might of America with the announcement by military authorities of the organization of the Quartermaster Unit Training Center, at Vancouver, Wash.

Creation of the center, latest development in training methods of the Quartermaster Corps marks a

departure in military practices as startling as the shipbuilding production schemes of the northwest neighbors. The Quartermaster Corps is responsible for feeding, clothing and supplying all American armed forces.

With Col. George E. Hartman, commandant of the center, personally supervising the laying of the keel, hundreds of officers and thousands of Quartermaster trainees are beginning to pour into five camps

in the Vancouver Barracks and within sight of the nation's most spectacular shipbuilding program.

Tackling the job of organization and coordination that Washington called tremendous, hustling Hartman has within the past 10 days laid the plans that will provide for the establishment of at least 10 technical schools as well as a basic military and tactical training program.

"Heretofore," the colonel explained, "the Quartermaster Corps has confined its training to the individual. It trained a selectee to be a fighting Quartermaster, present in the Army version of one of 128 trades or occupations. For instance it taught a soldier how to cook and bake and then sent him out to join a unit that was responsible for that function. That is called filler replacement."

"We are going to continue that practice to a limited extent while our objective is to make a soldier out of a civilian first, and then teach him how to weld or bake or repair motors and then put him with a complete bakery, or motor maintenance unit that will be trained as a unit with each man learning to coordinate his work with his teammates."

"Where yesterday we trained a tackle to play the tackle position and then sent him into the game as a replacement today we are going to train him to play tackle and then train the other ten players with him as a team after which they will be ready to be assigned to a division of the Army that is ready for combat duty."

"This last phase where the unit is trained as a whole to perform its combat function actually in the field is what makes this camp the first of its kind in the world-wide spread Quartermaster training activities."

This is the second time within two years that Hartman has been given the job of creating a mammoth training center. The first was outside the capital city of Wyoming where in less than four months he transformed a 12-mile-square prairie tract into a self-sufficient military city housing tens of thousands of soldiers and officers.

First trainees began their 12 weeks of training on Jan. 25 and less than a month the second group of recruits will commence training, authorities said.

Luke CO Becomes Movie Adviser for Tracy Pic

LUKE FIELD, Ariz.—Col. Ross G. Hoyt, commanding officer of Luke Field, the largest single engine advanced training school in the country, has been chosen by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer to act as technical advisor on its forthcoming motion picture production, "A Guy Named Joe," starring Spencer Tracy and Irene Dunne. The picture will portray the story of America's flying fighters.

Colonel Hoyt will go on detached service to the MGM studios in Hollywood during the filming of the picture. Last week Spencer Tracy visited Luke Field and made a tour of the field in connection with plans for filming.

Quiz Answers

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1. A. About 10 per cent of the British soldiers at Dunkirk had no received immunization shots. A normal percentage of them got tetanus after lying in muck and dirt for days and undergoing the horrors of the retreat. Of the men who had received shots, not one developed the slightest signs of tetanus. In the spring of 1941 tetanus toxoid became compulsory for every man inducted into the U. S. Army.

2. 1/3.

3. B. Since fewer trucks will be needed to transport the collapsible pontoons, rubber actually will be saved.

4. False. Actually anti-aircraft guns were invented before either airplanes or dirigibles. When the French used free balloons to carry mail through the German army besieging Paris during the Franco-Prussian war, Alfred Krupp invented the first anti-aircraft gun—small pedestal-mounted cannons in wagons. The Germans ordered about 20 of them and some appeared before Paris, but there is no record that they ever shot down any French balloons.

5. C. An average soldier consumed 5½ pounds of food a day.

6. B.

7. False. Army's jurisdiction, as stated by the Selective Service act, begins when the soldiers has been inducted, not before.

8. A.

9. 49,000.

10. Russian.

Actually Happened, It Sez Here

FORT BENNING, Ga.—A mortar crew from the 16th company, 2nd Student Training Regiment, is glad the "enemy air force", cub-bombers, uses flour for explosives.

While participating in an Infantry School problem, one of these low-flying midjets spotted an 81-mm mortar emplacement, manned by members of the 16th company. The bombardier, taking hasty aim, dropped his "death charge."

The sack of flour dropped true to the mark, grazed the rim of the target, and sank slowly into the mortar barrel.

Red Cross Increases Cases at McClellan

MCCLELLAN FIELD, Calif.—That McClellan Field's Red Cross office is rendering a valuable and appreciated service to soldiers in various emergency situations is evidenced by the number of cases that have increased steadily since its establishment last February.

During the 11 months of its existence on the post, the office has made 972 direct loans to soldiers amounting to a total of \$19,868.98. September loans of 74 jumped to 182 in October, 193 in November and 137 in December.

MRS. ROBERT Shipley, Ravenna, Ohio, has used up about 20 miles of yarn in a year, knitting sweaters for U. S. and British servicemen.

Major Cited For Heroism

FORT BRAGG, N. C.—Maj. Herbert G. Sittler, commanding officer of the 1st Battalion, 325th Glider Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division, was awarded the Soldier's Medal for individual heroism by Maj. Gen. M. B. Ridgway, commanding general of the 82nd Division. The entire 325th witnessed the ceremony and later passed in review.

The medal was awarded to Major Sittler for personal heroism displayed in attempting to rescue Pvt. Peter Huibregtse, a soldier of the 325th Glider Infantry, from drowning in Little River on Jan. 15. Private Huibregtse fell into the river while he, with a group of other soldiers, was making a crossing on a foot bridge. Major Sittler observed the soldier's struggles, and while fully clothed, jumped into the water and attempted the rescue. The major continued his efforts until he himself had to be pulled from the water by other soldiers.